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#### About the Manuscript

At the end of 2005 William Shepherd was living in Llangolman fifteen miles inland from Cardigan in Wales. He was to celebrate his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday in July 2006 and decided it would be a good thing to devote the year to reflecting on his life and work and to take as the literary framework a daily online web journal.

The overarching theme of this 2006 blog would be 'What I Do All Day'. Journal entries were to be one-page long and posted to the internet on the same day they were written. By the end of the year a 500-600 page book would have been written that would be some sort of hybrid between the diaries of a Samuel Pepys or a John Evelyn and the books of autobiography of a Priestley or a Belloc. Quite a challenge.

In the summer of 2006 in the middle of his blogging project William Shepherd spent six weeks living in an apartment in Sundbyberg, a suburb of Stockholm. The murder of Anna Lindh in a Stockholm department store had taken place three years previously. Regular trips into the city centre reminded him of her violent death and resulted in sixteen journal entries reflecting on her violent death and the wider implications of these political murders and suicides. The relevant extracts from the sixteen blogs is what you have here.

The manuscript is available online in an html version which includes the links from the original blogs, and in a pdf format for printing in booklet form. A link to *The Unsolved Murder of Anna Lindh* has been added to the *English Wikipedia* article on Anna Lindh. But whether it will stay there is another matter. There are permalinks to the original blogs at <http://williamshepherd.blog.co.uk>. Please make your comments online or use the blog to contact William Shepherd. The anonymity of whistleblowers will be vigorously protected.

#### About the Author

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**Tuesday 18th April 2006 - ws108**

A hundred years ago a foreshock rocked the *San Francisco Bay* area in California. The great earthquake erupted half a minute later with violent shocks punctuating the strong shaking for about a minute. Most of the damage was inflicted afterwards not by the quake but by the fires that broke out. Roads folded up like paper and gas lines underneath ruptured setting off an inferno that tore through the city. Winds generated by the blaze created a firestorm that sucked air out of buildings and whipped up giant flames. Most of the water mains broke during the quakes. Six thousand people died and 300 000 people were left homeless from a population of 400 000.

I was in San Francisco for a few days in 1981 visiting the ex-boyfriend of Ariel Kowalczyk who had a small trust fund he used to fund good causes...small by US standards. My expectations were not high...ex-boyfriend didn't strike me as quite the right connection...and I turned out to be right. With me in my briefcase was a project I had been working on with David Halprin...a *Harvard Law School* graduate and a colleague from the Anti-Nuclear Movement.

We felt a need to set up a *Center for Conspiracy Studies*. David took the idea to the *John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University* while I was dispatched to the *West Coast* to do the rounds. I would have ended up spending ten years of my life on the project so it was just as well that no West Coast funders showed an interest. But somebody took our ideas and ran with them because I have in front of me [The Rough Guide to Conspiracy Studies](#) which is very much the end result David and I had in mind 25 years ago.

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**Sunday 9th July 2006 - ws190**

*Sweden* is a small country with a population of between nine and ten million. But outside of *Sweden*...in *Finland* and *Minnesota* for instance...there are as many *Swedish-speakers*. Beyond this linguistic enclave there is an *English-Speaking Swedish Diaspora* of several times this size gathered in the great world cities like *Sydney*, *Johannesburg*, *New York* and *Los Angeles*. These are the direct descendents of [Swedish Settlers](#) who emigrated under great hardship in the 19<sup>th</sup> century and then by choice in the 20<sup>th</sup> to make a better life for their children. But this is not the whole story.

*Sweden* punches well above her weight on the global stage...and has done so for many decades. The success of [The Swedish Model](#) is part of the story. But *Sweden's Neutrality Diplomacy* and her *Human Rights Agenda in Foreign Affairs*...long before the failure of the *British Labour Party* dissident socialist Robin Cook to implant the heresy amidst the imperial culture of the *British Foreign Office*...have also earned *Sweden* many international admirers.

*Sweden's World Broadcasting Service* has only ever had a tiny fraction of the resources of the *BBC World Service*. But *Sweden's* influence as an *English Language World Broadcaster* during the 50-years of the *Cold War* was out of all proportion to its size. Most *World Listeners* regarded world services as *Lord Haw-Haw* style propaganda exercises...with suspicions about *BBC* bias steadily mounting since the [Fall of the Berlin Wall](#) in November 1989. But *Sweden* has always been trusted...this *non-bias* running so deep that even *Swedish* politicians rarely intervened.

Small budgets allowed producers at *Radio Sweden International* to introduce innovations in style, substance and format that might take decades to permeate through the top-heavy hierarchies of the *BBC*. Alan Pryke invented the *Music Documentary* with his [ABBA](#) programmes in the 1980s two decades before the *BBC* starting commissioning *Outside Production Companies* to prepare this ear food for evening listening at peak time on *BBC Radio Two*.

Programme formats like Andrew Marr's *Start of the Week*, Libby Purves' *Midweek* and Melvyn Bragg's *In Our Time* were features of *Radio Sweden's* short-wave broadcasts...spliced into home-spun imitations of Alistair Cooke's *Letter From America* or Roy Plomley's *Desert Islands Discs*. Indeed 20 years before John Peel took his microphone out of the studio for the *BBC's Home Truths* Alan Pryke was doing *Home Truths* for *Radio Sweden International*.

Unnoticed too has been Alan Pryke's political interviews. In an age of the *Rottweiler Interview* of a Brian Redhead, John Humphries, Jeremy Paxman or Jonathan Ross and the *Talk Show Approach* of a David Frost, Jimmy Young, Michael Parkinson or *Channel Four's* Richard & Judy, Alan Pryke's interviews with up-and-coming politicians like [Anna Lindh](#) have a style that blends respect with curiosity and tempers scepticism with affection for the values that the *Swedish* politician bring to public life...consensus, cooperation, fairness, equality, decency and common courtesy.

From 1984 to 1990 Anna headed up *Sweden's Young Social Democrats* and from 1991 to 1994 she chaired the board of *Stockholm City Theatre* and was *Stockholm City Commissioner for Culture and Leisure*. She was a close friend of three powerful *Social Democrat Women*...Birgitta Dahl, [Margot Wahlström](#), and Mona Sahlin. Today you will find her body in *Stockholm's Katarina Kyrka*...*Catharine's Church*. Nearby lies the body of an inheritor of [Carl-Michael Bellman's](#) mantle [Cornelius Vreeswijk](#) who died in 1987 at the young age of 50. Anna Lindh was assassinated on the second anniversary of [9-11](#) at the age of 46. Her real killers have not been brought to justice...nor have [Petra Kelly's](#).

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**Wednesday 12th July 2006 - ws193**

[Three months ago](#) I wrote about the idea of a *Center for Conspiracy Studies*. Such an institute would interest itself in assassinations and develop a danger rating system...one to five, colours of the rainbow, that sort of thing. I had in mind an *Assassination Risk Index* and league tables. I was not planning to go as far as John Marlan Poindexter...80 next month...and set up a [Futures Market](#) in *ARIs*. But as with the *Theoretical Physicist's Thought Experiments*, the methodology...how and who to aggregate, criteria to adopt, measurement and analysis of data...would be interesting.

After an assassination...Olof Palme, John Lennon, Princess Diana...or a failed assassination attempt...President Reagan, Pope John Paul II...investigations veer off in two directions...the *WhoDunnit* and the *WhyDunnit*. The police, charged with finding the killer and the evidence to have him convicted, interest themselves in motive if it helps get their man. Once they have him they

turn to gathering the evidence the prosecutors need to get a conviction. Here the *Swedish* system of calibrating arrest warrants with the *Quality of Suspicion* is a good one.

In the Anna Lindh case for instance Per-Olof Svensson was apprehended on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2003...five days after the murder...and detained as a suspect on *justifiable grounds*...the lowest degree of suspicion. Then on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2003...two weeks after the attack that killed the *Swedish Foreign Minister*...Mijailo Mijailović was apprehended on the higher level of suspicion of *probable cause*. And Per-Olof Svensson was released.

This seems to be the right way to proceed. My sympathies are with the police. They need to be cautious. They may not be sure they have the right man but they are reluctant to let him go if there is a chance they have got it right. Of course an innocent man should not be deprived of his freedom just as a guilty man should be charged with his crime. But nobody has any problems with these cases. It is the grey areas that are difficult when the police are not sure they have the right man. In practice there may be conflicting views within the police or they may be worried about having insufficient evidence to win a conviction so they hope something will come up if they hold the man in custody.

But this is a problem for police and prosecutors. The ordinary *Agatha Christie* reading middle classes are more interested in the *WhyDunnit* than the *WhoDunnit*...as are *Public Authorities* responsible for protecting law-abiding citizens. They do not cry over spilt milk. They learn what they can and move on. Their job is to prevent new killings. Prosecutors are also interested in the motive. Magistrates and Jurors need convincing. Arguments of defending counsel need deflecting. Victims too have an interest in a murderer being apprehended and punished...and *Islamic Law* deals with this better than our own legal systems.

But the *Search for Motive* has fallen between too many stools as it gets parcelled out between *Investigating Journalists*, *Police Detectives*, *Crown Prosecutors* and in high profile cases...the killing of *Dr David Kelly* for instance...a shadowy *Fourth Estate* which the press delight in referring to as the *Intelligence Services*. Singly none of these groups are up to the job...and each looks over his shoulder and locks his desk at night. Their theoretical framework is inadequate...and will remain so until there is a paradigm shift in the definition of *Killing* and *Killingry*.

*Mr & Mrs Public* may be for or against capital punishment or think 20-years incarceration is too much or too little...and the broadcast media and the tabloid press can always whip up a debate. But while *Joe Public* might express an opinion if you ask him he is indifferent to the fate of the murderer...as likely to feel pity as fury. *Jennie Public* feels she understands the *WhyDunnit* with crimes of passion because she has been there...and stepped back from the brink. She understands how others might not be able to. Senseless killings too can be explained in terms of the lottery of life...the victim was in the wrong place at the wrong time and there are evil people out there.

Even *Killing for a Cause* is understandable if you get into the mind of the *Suicide Bomber*. It was the planes and not the fighter pilots and *Bomber Crews* that were in short supply in the early years of the *Hitler War*. Men went off to certain death in response to patriotic fervour and social pressure...particularly from women. Moreover dying is glamorous. *Beowolf's* purpose was to die gloriously so future generations would honour his memory in song.

Neither Olof Palme nor Anna Lindh died *Glorious Deaths*. Nor do I accept for one moment that their deaths were from *Indiscriminate Slaughter*. They were murdered. Orders were given. Instructions were carried out that should have been ignored. Just as the *Vocation* and *Toil* of the *Medieval World* have disappeared and been replaced by something Ivan Illich calls *Shadow Work*. So *Glorious Death* and *Indiscriminate Slaughter* are being replaced by *Shadow Death*...Stalin Purges, Nazi Holocausts, Genocide in Darfur, Srebrenica and Rwanda, Starvation by World Trade Terrorism, Killing for Profits, Annihilation by Debt...and the *Political Assassination* is returning.

*Shadow Killing* may be *Impersonal* and *Killingry* may be *Depersonalised* but the *Human Race* must strive to move beyond *Contract Killings* and the *Nuremberg Defence* as the way to settle differences...just as our forefathers moved beyond *Slavery* as an organising principle for society. An *Assassination Risk Index* is one place to start.

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### Sunday 16th July 2006 - ws197

I never met Anna Lindh...the *Swedish Foreign Minister* who was assassinated three years ago. There was a time in the early 90s when I thought it inevitable that our paths would cross. But that was before her star shot high into the political stratosphere...while mine crashed to earth with the *UK Referendum Party's* failure to enter parliament in 1997. From 1991 to 1994 Anna was in charge of *Culture and Leisure* in *Stockholm* while I was involved with *Green Party* affairs in *Sweden* and was friends with Elisabet Spens who worked with Anna on women and green issues.

Whenever I was in *Stockholm* Elisabet would suggest some gathering where Anna would be present so she could make an introduction. Elisabet's real strength was as a networker and I should have trusted her judgement...in the 18<sup>th</sup> century she would have been running a salon in *Gamla Stan*. But I am not a natural politician...though I can switch on the charm when I am in the mood. D'Arcy is my second name...seeking an *English Miss Bennett*. My first question is to ask why it is necessary, what is the agenda and what do we have to talk about...not the right questions.

Sabine Kurjo McNeill put me in touch with Elisabet. 'You must promise me you will call her the moment you get to *Sweden*!' I have only met Sabine once in person...at the 1981 *Fourth World Assembly*...but we hold a watching brief on each other's activities and regularly copy emails to one another. Some day this might burst into active collaboration on some project or other but has yet to do so. Sabine may be the most intelligent woman I have ever met. A few months ago I tried to get my head round her research into *financial markets* but eventually gave up.

I would meet Elisabet at one of the *Vete Kattens* in *Stockholm*...*Östermalm* or *Kungsgatan*...as we were connoisseurs of this particular *Coffee House Genre*. Elisabet once took me to meet someone living in August Strindberg's old rooms on *Drottninggatan*...opposite the *Holographic Museum* near the old university campus at *Odenplan*. I had a brief flurry with holograms after buying a supply of pendants and watches in *Canterbury* imported from *Hong Kong*. On my return to *Old*

England I got the idea of *Det Holografiska Bolaget*...but have yet to make it happen. I still have £1500 of stock in store...worth either £100 or £10000 today...if I can find a buyer.

*Fourth World Review* published four of my articles during the early 90s...*Real Questions on Land* (1990 fwr 38); *The Luddites* (1991 fwr 43); *Not Guilty* (1991 fwr 48) and *Peaceful Anarchy* (1995 fwr 69). Then there was *The Rise & Fall of the Swedish Green Party (1982-1997)* and my translation of Lena Rainer's book *For Sweden Carl XVI Gustav In Keeping With The Times* published for the 50<sup>th</sup> birthday of the [King of Sweden](#) on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1996. This is enough to put me in the *Monarchists Camp* if another *English Civil War* breaks out...and it is not out of the question.

In *Sweden's* equivalent of *Books In Print*...the library data base...I pop up as the translator of this book...put out in *English* for the *Minnesotan* branch of the *Swedish Diaspora*. At the time I was more interested in the forty thousand kronor I got for my work. I gave a copy of the book to Alan's wife Magdalena for her 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday. As she rather likes the king's wife my dedication was: 'to Magdalena as the closest I will ever come to [Drottning Sylvia](#). Best wishes on your 50<sup>th</sup> birthday from William Shepherd by appointment *Court Translator* to King Carl XVI Gustav.'

When I started writing the *Swedish* politics book I was a poor penniless poet living on £40 a week of *Enterprise Allowance* and commuting between a *Bed & Breakfast* establishment in *St John's Court* in *Canterbury* and a small room at the top of my old college friend Peter Mechlin Thompson's house on *Church Road* in *Watford*. My daughter was 16 years old at the time and had been asking all sorts of questions about politics and economics so I wrote it for her and her generation...and conceived it as a book that would one day be used for *English* language teaching in *China*. I dedicated it to those who lost their lives in *Tiananmen Square* in the year of its birth...1989.

I had no inclination to tout my wares around the publishing houses suspecting...quite rightly it turns out with the hindsight of 15 years in the game...that my book would end up on the slush pile with a few hundred other unsolicited manuscripts. Publishers occasionally take on an unknown fiction writer but non-fiction is always commissioned. I started up my own publishing company...and called it *Academic Inn Books* in memory of *Professor Leopold Kohr*.

But it was not all smooth sailing. Just as I was gearing up to write the book my daughter ran away from Mummy in *Uppsala* and turned up on her Daddy's doorstep declaring that she wanted a job in *England* and had done with *Sweden*. It was wonderful having her around but my living conditions were not conducive to taking in lodgers. So I appealed to my elder brother John...and he agreed to let me have the use of his house at *Regent Square* in *Rye* for six weeks...bless him...long enough to help my daughter settle and his young brother fulfil his writing ambitions.

In the beginning the book did not come easy because it got itself entangled with two other manuscripts. But once I realised this and split it off from a manuscripts on *Nuclear Power Politics* and some remarks about *Maps* and *Models* things fell into place. By the time I embarked on *Tor Anglia* for a few months on *Kungsholmen* the book was with the typesetters in *Glastonbury* and Helena was in a rented room in *Canterbury*...waiting at tables in the evening.

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#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2006 - ws204

In the summer of 1982 my girlfriend Ariel Kowalczyk wheedled \$300 out of [Marilyn Ferguson](#) for me to spend three weeks working at her *Los Angeles* office in a rather undefined capacity. Goodness knows how she swung that one...charity perhaps. This was the office that published *Brain Mind Bulletin* and *Leading Edge* every three weeks and it was during my time at Marilyn Ferguson's office that I bumped into [Tom Robbins](#)...author of *Another Roadside Attraction* (1971), *Even Cowgirls Get the Blues* (1976), *Still-Life with Woodpecker* (1980), *Jitterbug Perfume* (1984) and *Skinny Legs and All* (1990).

My weak memory of the great Seattle writer is of a scruffy individual...a slimmed-down better-kept version of [Michael Moore](#) with standard issue baseball cap before they became standard issue...wandering around behind a huge smile picking up anything and fascinated in the particulars of everything...something his writing reflects. I would be curious to know what he was writing during the spring and summer of 1982.

In my literary record under *Articles* is *Bioelectricity* (1982 bmb-la) and under *Book Reviews* is *The Soviet Military* (1982 le-la)...a review of three books on the *Soviet Military Machine* that came out in an issue of *Leading Edge* that praised the *EastWest Institute* and its non-governmental *People to People* bridging across the *Iron Curtain*. The pieces on *Bioelectricity* went into a special issue of *Brain-Mind Bulletin* on the subject.

Another interesting thing Ariel organised for me before we went our separate ways after a whirlwind romance was one of ten free places she had persuaded [John Grinder](#)...co-author of *Frogs to Princes*...to provide to anti-nuclear activists on his \$2000 weekend *NLP Hypnosis* course in *Provincetown* on *Cape Cod*. Here I met [Daniel Ellsberg](#) of *Pentagon Papers* notoriety who was married to the sister of Linda's friend Barbara Marx Hubbard. John Grinder was in private consulting but had spent much of his life with the *CIA*...and they are one of those firms you never leave.

The mind technology for doing people's heads in...one day this will be known as the [Mancurian Candidate](#) *Defence*...was already available in 1982...and it scared the living daylight out of Daniel Ellsberg and myself. There was no way to control it. Yet here were the *CIA* creating skilled practitioners. If it could be used for evil purposes then it would. The road to hell is paved with good intentions. This was madness. Being linguistically based I thought there might be limits to *Neuro-Linguistic Implanting*...but that was almost 25-years ago. What was going on here?

My *Anna Lindh Dossier* currently has several appendices. One has tributes and obituaries; another has the facts of the killing, while a third includes essays about plans for the [One World State](#) and others about the *neocons* partial version of Sir Halford Mackinder's geopolitical ideas...which includes *Heartlands vs Rimlands* but airbrushes out *Landsmen vs Seamen* and *Locality vs Interests*. This is the version of Mackinder that Bush & Blair have been sold by the *Deputy Defense Secretary* Paul Wolfowitz...[Chris Fettweis](#) at the *University of Maryland* is a much better guide.

Mackinder's [Heartland Theory](#) is taught at the *Pentagon*. Here is an extract from an article from 2000 in *Parameters the US Army War College Quarterly*: 'One of the reasons that Mackinder is being resurrected is because policy-makers are searching for ways to deal with the heart of his *Heartland - Central Asia* and the *Caspian Sea* - which is a region that has the potential to become a major source of great-power contention in the next century. Some analysts estimate that the fossil fuels in the region will transform it into a 'new Saudi Arabia' in the coming decades.'

Talk about tired old generals fighting the last war. Mackinder barely gave a thought to *America* or *China*. Nobody in *Europe* did back then. They were much too tied up in their own little provincial historical disputes. Buckminster Fuller's [One World Island](#) and the [Earth's Seven Oceans](#) is the geography for this century...and confederations of hundreds of thousands of village states will be needed to impose some sense on it over the next hundred years...not a *One World Government* bombing us all...including themselves...into the *Stone Age* from 30000 feet, releasing [Passover Bombs](#) at *Ground Zero* for the occasional bit of clinical genocide and deploying [Climate Weaponry](#) at 60000 feet...and blaming global warming and carbon emissions for the inevitable side effects.

*Governments* need to be dismantled and governance dealt with some other way. Imagine if Anna Lindh had been talking this way...suggesting that each *American State* should have a seat at the *United Nations* or that the hegemony of the global [Gun Running](#) cartel...the *UN Security Council*...must be disbanded. It would be Olof Palme, *Sweden* and *Vietnam* all over again. There are some people who wouldn't like that. And there are lots of very rich men in the world who can pick up the bill for surgical operations.

Yet it is a strange idea that puts assassinations into three categories: *Governments* who assassinate after democratic deliberations, *Rogue States* who sponsor terrorist groups to murder their enemies and *Private Mafias* who put out contracts and offer *Killingry Services*. Anyone with money can kill...not so much to order as to prejudice. The police seek the killer but his motive is only a means to conviction. It is not their job to look further. But someone should.

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#### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2006 - ws208

Shortly after four on the afternoon of Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2003 Anna Lindh was murdered while shopping in the ladies' department at the [Nordiska Kompaniet](#) department store in the centre of *Stockholm*. She was stabbed in the chest, stomach and arms. Her murderer escaped after the crime. According to eyewitness accounts his actions appeared deliberate and systematic. At the scene of the crime the police secured a handprint and outside the department store in the vicinity of a [subway](#) station they found a few items of clothing and a knife.



Anna Lindh was rushed to *Karolinska Hospital* where she underwent surgery for over nine hours receiving blood transfusions continually during the operation. She suffered internal bleeding and her liver was seriously damaged. At first she appeared to have improved after her surgery. But then an hour later complications set in and Anna Lindh was announced dead at 05:29 am local time on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2003.

Following the attack an anonymous phone line was set up and a massive manhunt launched in *Sweden*. Images from the surveillance cameras on a floor above the scene of the murder were released on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Per-Olof Svensson was apprehended on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September and detained as a suspect on *justifiable grounds*...the lowest degree of suspicion. He was released six days later on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September following the arrest of a second suspect Mijailo Mijailović on *probable cause*. On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September it was announced that the DNA-profile of Mijailović matched that of hairs found on the baseball cap left near the scene of the crime and that he resembled the man filmed in the store where Anna Lindh was attacked. Mijailović denied all involvement.

On 6<sup>th</sup> January 2004 Mijailović confessed to the police that he killed Anna Lindh and gave a full account of the events on 10<sup>th</sup> September in an extra session of police questioning requested by his legal counsel Peter Althin...a *Member of Parliament* for the *Christian Democrats*. From 14<sup>th</sup> to 17th January 2004 a trial took place in *Stockholm* and Mijailović was found guilty. Sentencing was postponed pending a psychiatric evaluation which concluded on 9<sup>th</sup> March that Mijailović was not criminally insane. On 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2004 he was sentenced to life imprisonment.

On 8<sup>th</sup> July an *Appeals Court* overturned the sentence after tests concluded he was suffering from a mental illness at the time of the killing. He was then transferred from prison to a closed psychiatric ward. On 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2004 *Sweden's Supreme Court* overruled the *Court of Appeal* and the sentence of life imprisonment was re-instated.

Mijailo Mijailović was born on 6<sup>th</sup> December 1978 in *Stockholm* to *Serbian* immigrant parents and had dual citizenship in *Serbia & Montenegro* and *Sweden* at the time of Anna Lindh's murder. On 20<sup>th</sup> September 2004 his application to have his Swedish citizenship revoked was granted. Mijailovic's request to be transferred to a *Serbian* prison was refused.

Swedish newspapers report that Mijailović was released from a mental institution five days before the killing of Anna Lindh and had serious mental problems and had previously been convicted of violent crimes. Mijailović is said to have been greatly angered by Anna Lindh's staunch support for the US-led military campaign against Serbia.

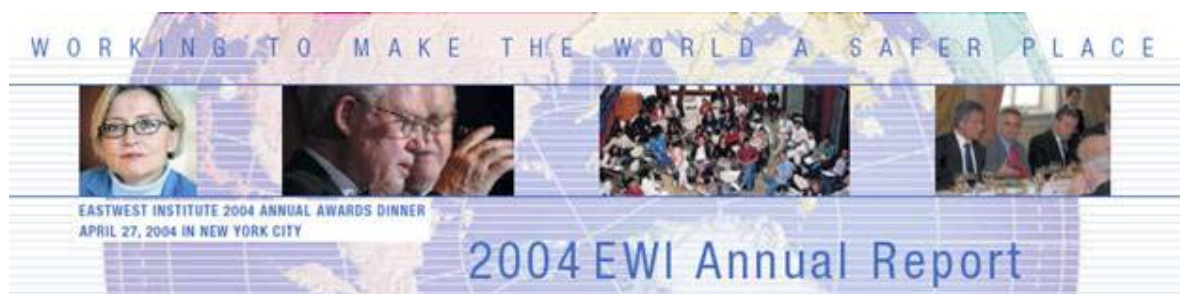
[Anna Lindh](#) was born on 19<sup>th</sup> June 1957 and was married to the Governor of Södermanland Bo Holmberg and had two sons David & Filip. She was born in Enskede, a south-eastern suburb of Stockholm, but grew up outside Enköping. In 1969 she joined the local branch of the Swedish Social Democratic Youth League, with protesting against the Vietnam War one of her top priorities. Here are the highlights of her high-flying Swedish political career.

Chair of the National Council of Swedish Youth Organisations (1981-1983); Member of the [Swedish Parliament](#) and member of the Parliamentary Committee on Taxation (1982-1985); Chair of the Swedish Social Democratic Youth League (1984-1990); Member of the Executive Committee of the [Social Democratic Party](#) (1991-2003); Stockholm City Commissioner for Culture and Leisure, Chair of Stockholm City Theatre (1991-1994); Minister and Head of the Ministry of the Environment (1994-1998); Minister and Head of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (1998-2003).

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#### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2006 - ws209

It was February 1982 and I had just returned to Boston from two weeks in Philadelphia on a 10-day Buckminster Fuller Marathon when I met Ariel Kowalczyk and fell head over heels in love with her. Three months earlier I had run the [Rhode Island Marathon](#) in 3 hours 37 minutes so was looking pretty good. Ariel lived with Marilyn Ferguson's Production Editor Connie Zweig on Tennessee in Los Angeles. Ariel liked me...and may even have loved me...but the relationship was based on a misunderstanding from the start as she believed me to have connections that I did not have...very *Pride and Prejudice* though perhaps the affair was more Mr Wickham than Mr D'Arcy. But it had significant consequences for myself and for those around me...which ripple on to this day.



Ariel was in Boston ending a relationship...on the rebound in other words...not the best time to meet up. My son Nicholas John was six coming on seven and his two best friends at Cambridge Friends School were Jim Sumrall's son Mischa and Zach Wiesner's son Elisha...linguistic daddy bonding. I had an exchange going at the time with Elisha's mother which meant child minding the boys every Wednesday afternoon when the school had its half day. I was very happy with this arrangement. When together boys of this age look after themselves particularly when they love the [Children's Museum](#) and the [Museum of Science](#) in Boston, enjoy hanging out with me when I have MIT errands...and are convinced that riding the Boston subway and escalators is what people do in heaven.

On this particular Wednesday it had been arranged...through the services of the mutual friend Ariel was staying with in Cambridge...that we would meet at a restaurant on Huron Avenue after I had picked up the boys from school at midday. Linda had cold feet at the last minute and had to be kicked out the door so turned up half an hour late by which time my *Young Arabs* were starting to wreck the place. I was getting up to leave when Ariel finally put in her appearance...in my memory a vision of loveliness silhouetted in the doorway with the sunlight behind her.

We hit it off at once...Buckminster Fuller and the *Anti-Nuclear Movement* being our connecting points. An affair was the last thing on my mind as I was happily married. Indeed Ingrid and I were regarded as the perfect couple...the only biological parents of any children in my daughter's class still together. It was one of those whirlwind romances you read about in novels...something you catch like the flu.

Ariel was and no doubt still is a remarkable woman though I have had no contact with her since the summer of '82...dazzlingly intelligent, knock-you-down social personality...bundled together with some insecurity and flawed self-esteem into an irresistible brew. But eventually the calls on my time and emotional energy meant that my work started to suffer. Enough was enough so I gritted my teeth and jetted back to the East Coast...alone. Mary McCartney's [The Company I Keep](#) describes a variation of the type well...one you can't live with or without. So *Real Men* eventually give up trying and take the 2-weeks of hell necessary to break the emotional and psychic bonds.

By one of those quirky coincidences-cum-synchronicities my investigation into the killing of Anna Lindh has brought me face to face with the *Tides Foundation* once again. In 2004 and 2005 they gave \$150 million in grants to 6000 organisations. But when I knew them back in 1982 it was as much as they could do to raise the \$40 000 a year to support one activist and his family...at least that was what they told me. *Tides* and *Stewart Mott* get on well together.

The *Stewart Mott Foundation* was to Californian 1980s Reformistas what the *Rowntree Foundation* is to English 2000 Reformistas with everyone around Ariel collecting money from *Stewart Mott* whenever they passed GO. But nowadays the *Tides Foundation* and the [Charles Stewart Mott Foundation](#) inter-fund each other in a strangely incestuous manner while pouring enormous amounts of money into the [EastWest Institute](#)...since at least 1993.

In 2004 the *East-West Institute* awarded Anna Lindh their *Statesman of the Year Award* and in 2005 gave a *Statesman of the Decade Award* to the strangely funded Right Honourable Tony Blair. This is odd coming from an institute created by John Edwin Mroz...a *Council for Foreign Relations* member who [recently](#) received the *Order of the White Double-Cross* (2nd level) from Slovak President Ivan Gašparovič for his work on NATO integration. Eugene Pinschof may believe the *Austro-Hungarian Empire* to be rather a [Good Thing](#)...but not everybody does.

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### Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2006 - ws214

There will be two very sad boys next summer at their mother's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday...for she will not be there. She was murdered three years ago. When she was their age she wanted to be a librarian...so she could read books all day. But her life changed dramatically in 1969 when at the age of 12 she wrote to the *Uppsala MP Birgitta Dahl*...chair of Olof Palme's *Vietnam Committee*...telling her of the *Vietnam War Display* she was planning for her [Local School](#).



'Anna Lindh lay on the floor and it looked as if a tall man wearing a peaked cap was hitting her. When he ran away he threw away a knife. As blood streamed on to the floor she cried out: 'God, he has stabbed me in the stomach'. *Eyewitness Account*

Her sons' interests might have been better served if Birgitta Dahl had advised their mother to work hard, play hard...and take to heart John Keats' *Ode on Indolence*. Had Anna Lindh received and heeded this advice her grandchildren might be celebrating [Farmor's](#) 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2037 by which time she would have become a [Local Hero](#) idolised by several generations of local children who had loved her and been loved by her.

At the first *Radical Consultation* five years ago I convened the *Work and Human Fulfilment Workshop*. In the first session we recorded each key point made in the course of the discussion. After two hours the number of key points had reached one hundred so we adjourned for lunch. After lunch a rating of 1 (irrelevant) to 5 (crucial) was attributed to them. Our workshop's presentation to the *Full Plenary Session* is in the [Conference Proceedings](#).

On the issue of [Vocation and Toil](#) we took the view that one of the aims of society should be to liberate people from toil. But the purpose of doing so was not to turn them into *Leisure Consumers* but to direct their attention towards *Good Work*...by which we meant work that was socially useful, ecologically acceptable and humanly fulfilling.

In our summary of the discussion we remarked that [Schooling](#) was indoctrinating young people with the *Career Mentality* rather than instilling in them the idea of [Good Work](#); that *School Career Fairs* were dominated by *Big Business*...*Price Waterhouse* instead of *Purton Farm*...and that *Big Problems* were perceived as requiring *Global Organisations*...which is where all the really *Big Jobs* were to be found. We believed this was wrong.

Instead we suggested the encouragement of the idea that a myriad of little local personal responses might be a better approach; that *Food Work* should be an integral part of everyone's *Annual Round* and that work needed to become *Personal* and *Proximate*...rather than *Impersonal* and serving *Distant Needs*. We recommended more [Own Work](#) and wider circulation of books like *Future Work* and *Future Wealth* by [James Robertson](#).

I do not intend to speculate about Anna Lindh's killers. I have no *Insider Knowledge*, no *Deep Throat* to point me in the right direction and no *Investigative Resources* to call upon. But it is quite wrong to dismiss people as *Assassination Freaks*...arguing the improbable complexity of any *Conspiracy Theory*...just because they believe there was a reason for getting rid of Anna Lindh. I accept the argument. But the *Random Lone Assassin Scenario* shares this complexity. On the face of it both explanations are wildly improbable. Yet one of them is correct.

My own position is that the more you weigh the improbabilities the more implausible suicides...[Petra](#) and [David Kelly](#)...become and the more a pattern seems to be emerging where turbulent priests whatever their persuasion are removed by *Lone Assassins* and *Violent Accidental Death*...[John Lennon](#), [Princess Diana](#), [Olof Palme](#).

Killing the killers is no longer necessary...[Lee Harvey Oswald](#), [Sirhan Sirhan](#)...it is enough to effect the assassin's escape and delay his capture until the *Men In White Coats* get to work to wipe clean the mental slate...or neuro-linguistically cover up previous traces. At [John Grinder's](#) *NLP and Hypnosis* seminar in *Provincetown* in 1982 he mentioned sitting in on *Therapy Sessions* and counting the number of times therapists unwittingly implanted *NLP* triggers...and then removed them a little while later. Then you must avoid cross-examination and control the enquiry.

And just how difficult is it to plant a sleeper at a hospital or gain access to the patient during the chaos of an emergency? If the blood sample from *Princess Diana's* chauffeur can be replaced...and this appears increasingly likely...then how improbable is it that blood for transfusions can be poisoned and switched? Hospitals are [Dangerous Places](#) at the best of time...and security is never at the top of their agenda. Even in *Sweden* the precaution of a [Castro Strategy](#) would seem now to make sense. Why make it possible to predict the destination hospital for high [ARIs](#)?

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**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2006 - ws216**

Yesterday was my last full day in *Stockholm*...perhaps for a while...and I had a few errands left to do so I took the *Orient Express* to *Kungsträdgården*...the scene of one of the world's first *Green Protests* in the late sixties over an old gnarled oak tree that the authorities planned to pull down to make way for a subway exit. *Sverigehuset* used to be the place to go for *Things Swedish*...like [Carl Larsson's](#) books *My Home, My Family* and *My Farm*. My *Swedish Monarchy* book also sold well from the best bookshop in *Sweden* for *Scandinavian Literature in Foreign Languages*.

Carl Larsson was on my list once again. But topping the list this time round was a DVD of Ingmar Bergman's production of Mozart's *The Magic Flute* which is well-nigh impossible to get in *England*. Somewhat miffed by the disappearance of *Sweden House* I crossed over the road to [Nordiska Kompaniet](#). The last time I was here with intent was for a *Jan Guillou Book Launch* in 1980. I bought his book and gave him a free copy of *The Rise & Fall of the Swedish Green Party (1982-1997)* which he probably threw away when he got home...assuming he kept it that long.

In *NK's Music Department* on the top floor an assistant found me a US edition...and format...by [The Criterion Collection](#) for 399 kronor (£30). This was progress of a sort but I noticed that the copyright was with *Sveriges Radio 1975* which gave me another avenue of investigation. So I noted the reference and left it at that. Once upon a time back in the *Days of Vinyl* I had a rather nice presentation pack but must have given it away...and of course there is [Google](#). But it was turning out to be a frustrating morning so I switched to my *Research Mode*. Anna Lindh had been knifed to death a few floors below me so I wandered around among the lady's lingerie to get myself on camera.

*Nordiska Kompaniet* on *Stockholm's Kungsgatan* is the most elegant department store in *Sweden*. And *Ladieswear* on the first floor is where you go to rub shoulders with *B-List Celebs* and admire *Sweden's Rich & Famous*. Magdalena's mother Dagmar was *Chief Buyer* here after her husband died and in *1960s Sweden* this would have been one of the top jobs in the business. So we are talking *Tiffany's of New York* or *Harvey Nicholls of Oxford Street*. In the normal course of events *NK* is not the place a lone assassin goes to knife to death *Sweden's Foreign Minister*.

Three other things struck me. Firstly baseball caps are not *de rigour* at *NK*. I saw just one in the whole time I was there...on the head of an *American Tourist* who had either wandered in by accident or was hanging about waiting for his wife. Secondly there were almost no surveillance cameras in evidence on the first floor...just one at the top of the escalator and a couple to prevent shoplifting pointing at the clothes racks. Perhaps they are hidden?

The public was told that the baseball-cap photos that got [Per-Olof Svensson](#) arrested produced two days after the stabbing came from surveillance cameras above the first floor. This would mean the attack taking place fairly close to the central atrium. Based on floor space and lay-out the chances of that were about 1 in 15...and I failed to spot any cameras anyway.

Thirdly...and perhaps I am being naïve expecting this of a business...but I thought I would find some mark of respect or some recognition of the events of the day before *Nine Eleven*...a plaque or a display collecting for the *Anna Lindh Memorial Fund*. But there is nothing there at all. *NK* seems to have airbrushed out the incident from their corporate psyche. I was tempted to interview a shop assistant but it was *Ladieswear* and I was unsure just how my morbid curiosity would be received so discretion won the day. But it was surreal. And I left the store bewildered.

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**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2006 - ws217**

*Conspiracy Theorists* do a rather poor job of discriminating between the *State of Israel*, *American Jewry*, *the Jewish Diaspora*, *The Zionists* and *International Jewish Finance* when cobbling together their accusations. So I sympathise with *Jewish* exasperations and share their concerns about the consequences of such faulty renditions of reality.

I have come across some intriguing conspiracy theories in my time and a *Zionist* one found its way into the appendix of my manuscript *The Jewish Question* compiled in *Boston* in 1986. The theory explained all manner of odd facts like the presence of *Mossad* advisers in [African Courts](#) and the strange fascination of the [African Diamond Trade](#).

The theory is that *Zionists* have conspired to link the large *Jewish Communities* in *Johannesburg* and *Tel Aviv* by delivering on the *British Imperial Dream* of a single civilization from *Cape to Cairo*. The argument is that *Africa* is the only continent still up for grabs so let the slaughter of the indigenous aboriginal population commence...in the time-honoured imperial tradition of moving yourselves in by moving the present inhabitants out.

In Wednesday's [weblog](#) I suggested that killing the killer is off the agenda...but maybe not. Last week [Mijailo Mijailovic](#)...convicted of the murder of [Anna Lindh](#)...attacked a fellow intern in his *Swedish Psychiatric Clinic* in *Sundsvall* supposedly to get himself into the safety of the clinic's hospital wards. Apparently a local newspaper ran a story that a warden had been bribed to smuggle a gun into the clinic to be used to kill Mijailović. The story is apparently untrue but confirmed Mijailović's suspicions that he is a target for assassination. Strange times indeed.

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**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2006 - ws224**

After an assassination you can follow the *Motive*, the *Man* or the *Money*...and with enough resources you can run all three investigations in parallel. The methodology for the *Motive Investigation* is to begin with a *Who? Whom? Analysis (WWA)* to establish who wins and loses by removal of the turbulent priest. The best people for this are insiders intimate with the work flowing across their desk, the phone calls made and the meetings scheduled.

Anna Lindh may have been *Sweden's Foreign Minister* but she was also a long-standing *Social Democrat Party Member*. It is easy to look the wrong way. As one example Anna Lindh understood *Stockholm* and would have realised that replacing the long-established *Tenancy System* with a *Bostadsrätt System* would further impoverish the poor and benefit only the rich...many of them from outside *Sweden* in *Germany*, *Russia* and elsewhere.

Anna may have set herself against allowing local residents to work four days a week to pay mortgage interest to the banks when they could continue working just one day a week to pay rent to their *Housing Association*. Most *Social Democrats* would have opposed a *Clearance Policy* in *Stockholm's* inner suburbs. Anna Lindh with leadership ambitions may have made this issue her rallying point for the *Party Faithful*. Hers would have been a powerful voice.

*Stockholm Property Mafias* with billions of kronor at speculation would have no qualms in paying for her removal. They might threaten her children first. Perhaps they did? Who would she tell? Perhaps the modern way is to kill first to avoid questions later. It would be a bonus that investigators would be looking elsewhere for her killers. After the assassin is back under your control the next task is to lay false trails across the path of your pursuers. Investigative websites spring up after most assassinations...some may be disinformation sites. Scepticism is required.

This example is not intended as a subtle hint...there are no whistleblowers whispering in my ear...but as a way to explain and illustrate the *Motive Search Process (MSP)*. In practice this particular *Suspect Scenario* is on my *C-List*...an *ABC Analysis* being an extension of the *Pareto Principle* where list allocation criteria is action-oriented.

A common policy would be applied to investigating *C-List Suspects*. A fully resourced team would be set to work investigating each *A-List Suspect* while the investigative focus for *B-List Suspects* would be to assess whether to treat them as *A-List* or *C-List*. These *Desk Studies* are similar to the *Profiling Approach* used by *Terrorism Prevention* and are unlikely to overlap with *Police Investigations*. In general the police can be thought of as being interested in the greasy rag while the *Who? Whom? Analysis* is looking for the engineer...and the command structure behind him.

A cursory glance at *Conspiracy Theory Websites* suggests that the *Usual Suspects* in any high profile assassination are *Mossad* and the *CIA*. But I tend not to put the *Americans* and *Israeli Governments* very high on my list. They both appear to have *Assassination Procedures* in place. *Israel* may hunt down the *Munich* killers of their *Olympic Athletes* and go after the leaders of *Hezbollah* and *Hamas* for instance. And the *Wiesenthal Centre* pursues *Nazi Holocaust Perpetrators* to the ends of the earth.

But in general my sympathies are with the *Israelis*. I believe they weigh these steps carefully. But the notion that an *Israeli Government Committee* should sit around a polished cherry-wood conference table in *Tel Aviv* and approve the assassination of Anna Lindh because she was in the habit of criticising *Israel* and siding with the *Palestinians* seems rather far-fetched. So neither the *CIA* nor *Mossad* are on my Anna Lindh *A-List* or *B-List*.

I tend to put the *Supra-Government Groups (SGG)*...those who anoint governments...and *Global Interest Groups (GIG)* much higher on my list. Governments are just one of many potential assassins. The *Moscow* or *Washington* Governments may come under suspicion when their interests are threatened. And *Black-Ops* seem to be something that *Stupidity Services* delight in telling us they carry out. But I suspect much of this is posturing to bolster their own flagging self-esteem. The world according to Grahame Greene and John Le Carré rings true...with cock-ups galore.

My Anna Lindh *A-* and *B-Lists* consist of seven *Supra-Government Groups* and three *Global Interest Groups*. Top of the *A-List* is *One World Order* followed by *Guns, Gold, US Imperialists* and *Austro-Hungarian Supremacists*. On the *B-List* are the *Fear Factory (Politico-Legal-Media Complex & Bank-Industry-Government Complex)*, *TransNational Corporations* (Drugs, Chemicals, Energy etc), *Zionists*, *European Union* and the *EuroBankers*.

Nowadays the *Hollywood Studio System*...not its *Rogue Actor-Directors* like Robert Redford, Oliver Stone, Mel Gibson, Kevin Costner etc...is doing good *Conspiracy Genre* films. Obviously for them the bottom line is good. But they are not pulling punches and directors are not being leaned on to take a party line. *Lord of War* with Nicholas Cage and John le Carré's *The Constant Gardener* with Ralph Fiennes are good examples of this genre...and I would expect Michael Crichton's *State of Fear* to get fair treatment. In each case *Global Interest Groups* are portrayed as the *Bad Guys*...*Global Arms Trade*, *Global Drug Companies* and *Environmental Groups* respectively.

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#### Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2006 - ws261

For the next four years Fredrik Reinfeldt will be *Prime Minister of Sweden* with its population of nine million. Yesterday the alliance of Reinfeldt's *Conservatives* with *Liberals*, *Christian Democrats* and *Centre* won 178 seats in the 349-seat *Swedish Parliament* putting them 7-seats ahead of the *Social Democrat Alliance*. The *Social Democrats* are still the largest party in the parliament with 35% of the vote but Reinfeldt's party...up from 15% in 2002 to an impressive 26%...is now vying for top spot. Their victory was won in the *Stockholm City Region* which casts 1 in 5 of all *Swedish* votes. In *Stockholm* 37% voted for the *Conservatives* and only 25% for the ruling *Social Democrats*.



With *Proportional Representation*, *Minority Parties* form alliances with other *Opposition Parties* to gain power while a *Majority Alliance* splits the opposition to stay in power. Reinfeldt succeeded where Göran Persson failed. If *Cameron Tories* and the *Hughes LibDems* formed an alliance against *Brown's New Labour* for the 2009 *Westminster Elections* David Cameron could well get a *Reinfeldt Outcome* under *PR*...but *First Past The Post* is something else.

*English Political Commentators* regularly make extravagant ideological claims for Margaret Thatcher's *Conservative Party*. But the electoral reality was always that when the *Gang of Four* split off from the *Labour Party* and formed themselves into a new party any *Conservative Party* could have strolled to electoral victory. 20-years later the new party was taken over by the *Liberal Party* and ever since, the *Liberal*

Democrats have campaigned as *Not The Tories* in *Conservative Constituencies* and *Not New Labour* in *Labour Constituencies*. This works well until you have to govern...which is now Reinfeldt's problem. But there are others.

*Social Democracy* has ruled *Sweden* for 69 of the past 74 years building up a model state on funds accumulated by keeping out of both *European* wars. With the rest of *Europe* in ruins *Sweden's* industries had a huge international market and little competition. In the seventies the money ran out so *Sweden* started borrowing. Meanwhile it kept the economy going...and exports strong...by steadily depreciating the kronor...down a third over the 20 years.

However Reinfeldt has two things going for him. Firstly *Sweden* has given an approving nod to a generation change...not something *Swedes* do lightly...with the new 41-year old *Swedish Prime Minister* 20-years younger than the old one. Reinfeldt would have had a tougher fight on his hands against an Anna Lindh or a Mona Sahlin.

Secondly Reinfeldt pointed his finger at a glaring problem with the *Swedish Model*...one that *Swedes* have been reluctant to admit. *Sweden* preaches the *Protestant Ethic* with *Work* as the foundation of their society and *Full Employment* as their pride and joy. But reality has been less and less people working for more and more scroungers as the *Social Democrats* imposed levies on high incomes...so high in fact that effective tax rates were often over 60% after *Employee Contributions*. This tax money was redistributed fairly indiscriminately to both the deserving and undeserving poor. Add in the generous *Unemployment Benefits* and for sizeable parts of the population work is no longer an attractive *Lifestyle Option*. *OECD* calculates that the average *Swede* clocks on for only 35/52 weeks a year.

The *Social Democrats* have also shown indifference to the plight of small businesses and entrepreneurs preferring to rely on *Saltsjöbaden Concordats* with the big *Multinational Swedish Corporations*...*Ericsson*, *SKF*, *ABB* and *Volvo*...and their labour unions. True unemployment in *Sweden* is running closer to 20% than the official 6% but this is being masked by political correctness and statistical deceit. The only policy response that the *Social Democrats* have come up...supplied by their alliance partners on the left...has been to create 200 000 new *Public Sector Jobs*. Reinfeldt made this poverty of ideas...and distrust of *Private Initiative*...a principal theme of his *Election Campaign*.

Young people entering the *Work-Force* over the past few years have become increasingly aware that *Sweden* is not working for them...but for just a few privileged groups favoured by the *Social Democrats*. What they really want is to contribute meaningfully to the *World of Work*. But all they are offered is *Temporary Jobs* and *Meaningless Courses*. In this regard *Sweden* is more like *France* than *England*...but without the riots.

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#### Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2006 - ws273

Part of my work as a *Blogger* involves reading the daily papers. What a relief to be free of this chore 3-months hence. On the crime I read about I would make two observations. Firstly the *Police Clear-up Rate* for crimes of violence that reach the newspapers is extremely high. The police are surprisingly good at finding needles in haystacks. My other observation is on the increase in the number of stomach-wrenching crimes and the rise in frenzied knife attacks. In the case of the *Oxford* drop-out who knifed to death the daughter of a *Harrow* schoolmaster last week...and in several other frenzied knife attacks...drugs is reported to have been a contributing factor...cannabis in particular.

This adds a third element to my *Conspiracy Hypothesis* for Anna Lindh's killing: In addition to having an *NLP Trigger Implant* the assassin was high on *Cannabis* which explains the frenzied nature of the attack reported by witnesses. The switching of blood samples in *Accident & Emergency* is the third element. All this is wildly implausible and gets an *Implausibility Index* of 89 out of 100. The trouble is my *Index* for the *Official Theory* is 99.

I mean who's kidding whom? Be real! Our assassin just happened to be hanging around outside the right department store at the time that *Sweden's Foreign Secretary* happens to be visiting and just happened to have a sudden urge to subject her to a frenzied knife attack in the only random killing of this nature ever carried out anywhere in *Sweden*. The *Official Theory* is ten times more improbable than the *Conspiracy Theory*. I wonder how her two sons are doing?

Before leaving *Sweden* 8-weeks ago I typed up some notes about my suspects in *The Case of Anna Lindh*. *Guns and Gold Conspiracies* were in second and third place on my *A-List* behind the *One World Order Conspirators*. Featuring as a group in seventh place were the *Corporate Profiteers*...*Drug Companies*, *Chemical Companies* and *Energy Companies*. The *Legal Drug Industry* spent vast sums rubbishing John Le Carré's *Constant Gardener* which would suggest some rather nasty skeletons in the corporate cupboards. Why are corporations permitted to remain outside modern *Public Sector Freedom of Information* legislation? *Trade Unions* should have the *Right to Know*.

In 1984 Anna Lindh became the first woman president of the *Swedish Social Democratic Youth League*. Her six years as president from 1984 to 1990 were marked by a strong commitment to *International Affairs*...on behalf of *Nicaragua*, *Vietnam*, *South Africa* and the *Palestinians* and against the *Arms Trade*. Subsequently Anna Lindh had access to insider knowledge on top-secret weapon development programmes...*Climate Weapons*, *Passover Weapons* etc...from her old colleagues, from contacts in *Foreign Affairs* and *Environment in Brussels*, from insiders in the *Swedish Government*...eg. *SÄPO*...and from elsewhere...eg. *Stockholm's Institute for Peace Research (SIPRI)*.

On 11th June 2003...three months before Anna Lindh's murder...the *Guardian* published an interview with the *Swedish UN Weapons Inspector* in *Iraq* Hans Blix. Referring to criticisms from the *US* Blix remarked: 'They would say I was too compliant with the *Iraqis* when in reality they meant I was not compliant enough with what the *US* wanted.' Blix went on to refer to 'bastards' in the *US administration* who regarded the *UN* as an 'alien power' who 'would not care if it sinks into the East river' and who 'planted nasty things in the media'...although he claimed that he had not cared very much: '...an irritant like a mosquito bite in the evening that is still there in the morning.'

Remembering the final collapse of the inspections process, Blix stated: 'The lowest point was the end when we realised a peaceful resolution to the crisis was not going to happen. That was very disappointing. The war cost a lot in destruction and

lives.' Accentuating the positive Blix pointed out that: 'we proved beyond a doubt...and under immense pressure...that independent, impartial, objective monitoring can be achieved. We were in nobody's pocket. Every day I get letters from inspectors who want to work again. We're immensely proud of what we achieved.'

On 3rd July 2003...three weeks after Hans Blix's interview in the *Guardian*...*Swedish Foreign Minister* Anna Lindh announced his appointment as *Chair* of a new independent *International Commission on Weapons of Mass Destruction*. Anna Lindh told reporters in *Stockholm*: 'We must do everything we can to avert the threat posed by weapons of mass destruction. It is very gratifying that Hans Blix is willing to accept the chairmanship. The experience and knowledge he possesses is unique.' And she went on.

'The purpose of the *Commission* is to provide new impetus to the international efforts involved in disarmament and non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and missiles. The *Commission* will be formed during the autumn of 2003 under the leadership of Hans Blix and will plan to report their recommendations in 2005.'

Thanks to a *Bollywood* romantic comedy Mahatma Gandhi's popularity is hitting fresh heights. While much of the world was watching endless repeats of the 9/11 *Indians* were rushing to cinemas in record numbers to see [Carry On Munnabhai](#). The film took a billion rupees...£12 million...at the *Indian Box Office* in the first fortnight and is rated as the most popular *Bollywood* release of the year in *Britain* and the *US*. The plot revolves around a radio quiz about the *Life of Gandhi*. Leaders of the ruling *Congress Party* have told senior party members to see the film.

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### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2006 - ws279

The *Swedish Foreign Secretary* Anna Lindh was assassinated on the second anniversary of 9/11 in September 2003 prompting an exchange of e-mails about her murder with Boudewijn Wegerif in the *What Matters Programme* at *Folkhögskola Vardingeby* in *Sweden*. Dr Aidan Rankin...a regular contributor to the *Conservative Party's Salisbury Review* responded to the exchange like this. 'A strange and disturbing development in *Sweden*, I agree. I am copying you an email to a *Danish* friend...Luise Hemmer...earlier today. She was involved in the anti-euro campaign there and comes from a green-left background...*Peoples Movement Against the EU*'. Here is Aidan's e-mail to Luise.

'Your words confirm my thoughts...and suspicions...absolutely. What a strange and sad turn of events. There seems to be an unexpected dark side to *Swedish Political Life*. It is surely unusual for a peaceful, prosperous and apparently stable nation to have two major political assassinations within two decades. Is this a manifestation of what might be called the *'Ingmar Bergman'* side of the national temperament?' Interesting to have seen Luise's e-mail.

In the *United States*...with its *Christian Fundamentalism* and historical memory of the demonising of Olof Palme's principled opposition to the *Vietnam War* in the *Nixon Years*...many would have been struck with the same thought. So I forwarded Aidan's e-mail to Tom Greco in *Tucson Arizona* by way of an afterthought to our earlier exchange on *New Labour & The British-American Project*. I prefaced it with these remarks.

'I don't go along with Aidan. There are three bunches of cowboys with assassination as sanctioned policy when their interests are threatened. Always as a last resort...but the need for last resorts seems to be escalating exponentially of late.' This is how I listed them: '1. *NeoCons* and their global hegemony agenda...*CIA* clandestine; 2. *Brussels* and the *British American Project* and their *Euro-fascist* agenda...probably mercenaries; 3. *Israel* and their survival...*Mossad*.' Adding for good measure that 'Anna Lindh, David Kelly etc. ran foul of one or other somewhere along the line and had to go. Still can't believe that intelligent people can come up with such psychobabble.'

A day after these exchanges I spent a few hours at my desk drafting a number of scenarios for the *Anna Lindh Assassination*. My *Middle East* one included a [posting](#) from a website providing 'noteworthy news items related to *Europe* and its relation to the global currency markets, economic stability and *Middle East* turmoil.' I included web references to Anna Lindh's [Human Rights Agenda](#) in the *Middle East*. Here is my draft summary...dated 13/9-2003.

'Lindh advocated greater respect for international law and human rights in the *Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*, criticising the *Ariel Sharon Government* and condemning *Palestine Suicide Bombings* as 'atrocities'. In a speech on 30<sup>th</sup> [January 2003](#) she had called on *Israel* to 'end the occupation, give up settlements, and agree on a pragmatic solution to *Jerusalem*' and on the *Palestinians* to 'do everything in their power to stop the terrorist acts and take legal measures against those responsible' and to 'produce reform, for security, but also for democracy and human rights'.

Despite this even-handedness the Sharon people regarded Anna Lindh as very pro-Arafat. 'Prime Minister Sharon was elected for his promise to increase security,' she had said in a recent speech. 'Instead the level of confrontation has been raised and the military effort increased as preparedness to enter the area under *Palestinian* control and attack *Syrian* targets in *Lebanon* demonstrated.' Sharon's people would have been aware that she was tipped to take over as *Sweden's Prime Minister* if Göran Persson's resigned in the wake of a landslide victory for the *No to the Euro Campaign* in the *Swedish Referendum*...the outcome the pollsters were predicting for 14<sup>th</sup> September...'

Because Lindh was publicly critical of *Israel*, there are those who suspect an *Israeli Assassination Squad*. Two months ago I remarked that *Conspiracy Theorists* need to discriminate between the *State of Israel*, *American Jewry*, *the Jewish Diaspora*, *Zionists* and *International Jewish Finance*...not least because of the use of the *Protocol of the Elders of Zion* by the *Nazis* to whip up *Jew Hatred* in the 1930s. My analysis concerns itself with the *State of Israel*.

*Jews* are over-sensitive to criticism from the *Goyim* and routinely over-react with accusations of *anti-Semitism*. But by *English Standards* this is equally true of the *Moslem World*...where threats of *Fatwas* are wielded in much the same way. Still you have to be pretty paranoid to believe *Mossad* would assassinate leading politicians on the instructions of the *Israeli Cabinet* just because they are critical of some aspect of *Israeli Government Policy*. The people who need to fear *Mossad Hit Squads* are terrorists and assassins...not *European* and *American Politicians*.

Another reason to doubt involvement of state operatives like *Mossad* is because such agencies have far subtler techniques than frenzied stabbings in department stores. There are internet claims that *Mossad* was beefed up in January 2003 for global assassinations. But as *Israeli Whistleblowers* end up in *Solitary Confinement* for decades only a very foolish person would leak such trivial information. So unless you are prepared to postulate a very complicated game of bluff and double bluff Anna Lindh's killing is too low-tech for the *Israeli State*. Rogue elements are always possible. But these are more likely to come from the other four *Jewish* players on the global stage.

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#### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2006 - ws280

On 11<sup>th</sup> September 2003 the front-page story in the *Daily Telegraph* included this eye-witness account from Hanna Sundberg: 'Anna Lindh lay on the floor and it looked as if a tall man wearing a peaked cap was hitting her. When he ran away he threw away a knife. As blood streamed on to the floor she cried out: 'God, he has stabbed me in the stomach'. Strangely the official version of events had the murder weapon turning up at a subway station.

*The Telegraph* linked the attack to the *Swedish Euro Referendum* three days later. 'It has echoes of last year's murder of Pim Fortuyn...the *Dutch* populist leader...shot dead in the first political assassination in *the Netherlands* for 400 years and points to a further coarsening of *European* politics. Mrs Lindh was the one politician with the charisma to save the floundering *Yes Campaign*. It is eleven points behind in the polls despite the biggest spending campaign in *Swedish* history and the support of all the big guns of the political establishment.'

But this story was written by journalists. *Sweden's Diplomats* and *Civil Servants* knew better. The *Swedish Government* were aware that after outspending the *Keep Our Swedish Krona Campaign* by six to one and still being 50 to 39 behind in the opinion polls the probability of the *Yes Campaign* losing spectacularly was rapidly becoming a certainty. Urgent *Crisis Planning* would have been underway. A sharp reaction from *Brussels* could be expected...including the rapid deployment of *Central* and *Private Banks* to orchestrate a run on the *Swedish Krona*. A *Defence Plan* against this run on the currency...and its consequences... would have been *Number One Priority*.

As *Sweden's Foreign Secretary* the diplomatic task would have fallen to Anna Lindh. The first line of defence for the *Swedish Currency* would be *Norway* with her oil-backed currency, *Denmark* with her *Euro Opt-Out* and Göran Persson's *Third Way* colleagues and fellow *Opter-Outers*...Blair, Brown and their *UK New Labour Government*.

The *Texans* and the *Neo-Cons* in the *Court of King George* might also have been potential allies. Nothing threatened *US Dollar Hegemony* more than the rise of the *Euro* as an alternative *Oil Currency*. Indeed it would have made sense for the *CIA* to pour secret funds into the *Swedish No to the Euro Campaign*. But here Anna Lindh had a problem. Within the *Social Democrat Government* she had been arguing for *Sweden* to join *France* and *Germany* in outright opposition to the *Iraq War*. Her stance on the war was no secret. Lindh referred to Bush as 'the lone ranger'.

Anna Lindh died on the morning of Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2003 from complications after her nine-hour operation. The *European Commissioner for External Relations* Chris Patten called Anna Lindh 'a brave and talented politician'. Brave? Were threats made to her and her family? From whom? Anna Lindh had thrown herself into the *Euro Referendum* in the weeks before her murder. As one of the most popular politicians in *Sweden* she fronted the *Pro-Euro Campaign*. Her face was on billboards all over *Sweden*. Following her killing all *Euro Campaign Events* were cancelled, *Television Campaign Commercials* withdrawn, *Campaign Billboard Advertising* removed and *Print Media Advertising* cancelled. To *Swedes* Anna Lindh's assassination was a direct attack on *Sweden's Open Society*.

Top politicians learn to be good actors. But no one doubted that Prime Minister Göran Persson's sense of loss was heart-felt and his tears genuine. Indeed his quiet dignity endeared him to the whole nation. The idea that the *Swedish Government* or the *Social Democratic Party* might have played any part in an *Assassination Conspiracy* is remote. But the juxtaposition of the assassination of Anna Lindh with the *American Neoconservative's Second Anniversary of 9/11* and the *European Union's* certain defeat in the *Swedish Euro Referendum* remains worrying. The view of some *Conspiracy Theorists* is of a psychological miscalculation of massive proportions. The plotters assumed *Swedes* would be cowered into a *Sympathy Vote* that would sweep the *Yes Campaign* to victory. Many *Swedes* feared this outcome...and the *No Campaign* started preparing to cry foul. There are precedents for such miscalculations.

In the 1940s the *Nazis* believed their bombing of *English* cities would bring the country to its knees but it had the opposite effect. And on *Crete Nazi Reprisals* galvanised the *Greeks* and cost the *German Army* dear. *Swedes* saw a connection between Anna Lindh's killing and the *Euro Referendum*. But the nation's psychological reaction went the opposite way...indeed with hindsight the *Yes Campaign* may have grounds for demanding a new referendum. *Swedes* refused to be blackmailed and turned out in force to give a resounding landslide victory to the *No Campaign*.

My e-mail exchange with Boudewijn on the day of Anna Lindh's death expresses my own outrage. 'Jeez...do we live in evil times when hundreds (thousands?) of people earning hundreds of thousands of dollars of salaries sit around at desks in their grey suits and write memos and draw up plans to kill off the good guys...Robert Kennedy...Olof Palme...Petra Kelly...and now Anna Lindh. We should get hold of their kids and talk to them about what Daddy does when he goes to work. They'd be appalled...even if their wives are happy to turn the other way as long as the salary comes in and the mortgage gets paid. *Private Eye's* front page cartoon took this tack. Alistair Campbell is sitting with his son and the boy asks: 'Daddy, What Did You Do In The War?' Daddy Alistair answers: 'I started it, son!'

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#### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2006 - ws361

The day after Anna Lindh's murder Boudewijn Wegerif sent an e-memo to his mailing list where he wrote. 'I have just received this about the assassination of foreign minister Anna Lindh from list member William Shepherd...who is as at home in *Sweden*

as in *England*. What William writes and quotes from the *Daily Telegraph* in *England* is very much more specific than what I intimated in the foreword to [What Matters E-letter-146](#) just posted'.

I then made up a list of my top ten political suspects in the *Anna Lindh Murder*. Since then I have added notes to each of my ten files. Here is a summary of the contents of the files on the five leading suspects.

**One World Order:** Anna Lindh made many influential friends world-wide while at the helm of the *Swedish Social Democratic Youth League* from 1984 to 1990 and was an ardent supporter of international cooperation through the *United Nations* and the *European Union*...organisations that are regarded as the enemy by the *One World State Conspirators*. Rich and powerful organizations like *Skull & Bones* believe in a *Hegelian One World Government* by an *Elite International Fellowship*. A *Public Declaration* by *Future Leaders* of past diary, funding etc...is needed. Lindh was a prime candidate to succeed Göran Persson as leader of the *Social Democrats* and *Prime Minister of Sweden*. As *Swedish Prime Minister* her celebrity interest would be at Princess Diana...and Ségolène Royale...levels.

**Arms Traders:** Anna Lindh's six years as the first woman president of the *Swedish Social Democratic Youth League* were marked by a strong commitment to international affairs...for *Nicaragua, Vietnam, South Africa* and the *Palestinians*...and against the *Arms Industry*. Anna Lindh would have had insight and insider knowledge into the development of *Climate Weapons, Passover Weapons* and other top-secret *Weapon Programmes* from her contacts in the *EU Environment, SÄPO*...Sweden's *M15* and *M16*...and *SIPRI*. On 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2003 *Swedish Foreign Minister* Anna Lindh announced the appointment of Hans Blix as *Chairman* of an independent *International Commission on Weapons of Mass Destruction*. Lindh told reporters in *Stockholm*: 'We must do everything we can to avert the threat posed by weapons of mass destruction. The purpose of the *Commission* is to provide new impetus to the international efforts involved in *Disarmament* and *Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction* and *Missiles*. The *Commission* will be formed during the autumn of 2003 under the leadership of Hans Blix and plans call for their recommendations to be submitted in 2005.'

**The Moneychangers:** There are continuing rumours that Nixon traded gold for *China* to keep out of the *Cold War* and for the US to ignore *Chinese Overseas Diaspora* finance of *China's* development. Here is the list of contents of my discussion paper on *Gold & Derivatives & Nine Eleven* to be delivered to a *Fringe Meeting* at the *Radical Consultation* in *September 2006*. Sound Money; *NESARA; Norway's* Gold Accounts; 2001 Diary of Dollar and Gold Related Events in *Russia; The Derivatives Monster* by Adam Hamilton...published on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2001 about *JPMorganChase's* domination of the enormous highly-leveraged *US Derivatives Market* and its links to the *Gold Market; America's* Missing Gold; *Gold and Nine Eleven* by Boudewijn Wegerif and *Derivatives Electronic Trading*. My proposed title for the *Fringe Event* was *5-Years On*.

**US Imperialists:** These *Flag-huggers* and *Liberal-haters* believe in an *American New Century World Hegemony*. In 1969 at the age of 12 Anna Lindh joined the local branch of the *Swedish Social Democrats* to protest against the *Vietnam War* and organise an exhibition against the *Vietnam War* at *Grillby School* after meeting the *Social Democrat MP for Uppsala* Birgitta Dahl... *Chairman of the Vietnam Committee*. Lindh was attacked on the afternoon of 10<sup>th</sup> September 2002 and died on the morning of 9-11 2002. The timing suggests a link to *Nine Eleven* where many have questioned the official version of events. If Anna Lindh had been about to talk out she would have been silenced...*pour décourager les autres*. Lindh criticised the 2003 invasion of *Iraq*... 'a war being fought without support in the statutes of the *United Nations* is a major failure'. Lindh was very critical of *US Middle East Policy* and was generally *Anti-US* in her public speaking engagements...ridiculing Bush as *The Lone Ranger*.

**Austro-Hungarian Supremacists:** The *Austro-Hungarian Empire*...with or without *Russian* involvement...is on the rise. Investigations into the *East-West Institute*...a transatlantic think-tank that organizes annual *Security Conferences* in *Brussels*. The institute has received considerable funding over many years from the *Charles Mott Fund*...whose original endowment is derived from a private *General Motors* fortune. In April 2004 Anna Lindh was posthumously awarded the *Statesman of the Year Award* by the *East-West Institute*. Why? During the *Swedish Presidency* of the *European Union* during the first half of 2001 Anna Lindh was *Chairman of the Council of the European Union* responsible for representing the official foreign policy for the *European Union*. Travelling with the *EU Foreign and Security Policy Spokesman* Javier Solana in *Macedonia* during the *Kosovo Crisis*, Lindh negotiated an agreement that averted a civil war in the country. Her assassin Mijailo Mijailović was reported to have been greatly angered by Anna Lindh's staunch support for the *US-led* military campaign against *Serbia* during 1999.

Let me expand on my remark that Anna Lindh would have had insight and insider knowledge into the development of *Climate Weapons*. In November 2000 Michel Chossudovsky wrote an article entitled *European Parliament Acknowledges Impact of Haarp* in which he referred to a report presented to the European Parliament in February 1998 by Maj. Britt Theorin - Swedish MEP and longtime peace advocate to public hearings of the European Parliament's *Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defense Policy* in Brussels on the *HAARP* program. The committee's *Motion for Resolution* submitted to the European Parliament: 'Considers *HAARP* by virtue of its far-reaching impact on the environment to be a global concern and calls for its legal, ecological and ethical implications to be examined by an international independent body; the Committee regrets the repeated refusal of the United States Administration to give evidence to the public hearing into the environmental and public risks [of&] the *HAARP* program.' [European Parliament, Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defense Policy, Brussels, doc. no. A4-0005/99, 14 January 1999]. According to Chossudovsky the committee's request to draw up a *Green Paper* on 'the environmental impacts of military activities' was dismissed on the grounds that the *European Commission* lacks the required jurisdiction to delve into "the links between environment and defense". [EU Lacks Jurisdiction to Trace Links Between Environment and Defense, European Report, 3 February 1999]. Brussels, wrote Chossudovsky, was anxious to avoid a showdown with Washington.

Within a year the Swedish Foreign Secretary Anna Lindh was murdered. Ambrose Evans-Pritchard, a top reporter for the *London Times* filed a piece that was published on 12th September 2003 entitled *Swedes mourn champion of a 'special little nation'*. Here is the text of the article:

'Impromptu shrines sprouted across Stockholm yesterday as thousands of mourners laid flowers and lit candles in memory of Anna Lindh, the champion of the pro-euro "Ja" campaign. Queues coiled around the foreign ministry building in the autumn drizzle. Punk youths with nose studs and anti-euro "Nej" badges, brokers in blue suits, Kurdish women in head-dresses, all waited silently with a single red rose.

Others gathered at the Riksdag or parliament building, where Mrs Lindh served as an MP for 21 of her 46 years, the rising star of the ruling Social Democrats. At the 20ft granite columns of the *Nordiska Kompaniet* - Stockholm's *Harrods* Yes and No voters alike laid their offerings, without fanfare, in a very Swedish display of controlled grief. "Thank You for Everything, Anna," wrote Karl-Erik Lindkvist, 58, in the condolence book on the street. "I will vote No on Sunday. But Anna was just a wonderful woman," he said.

The 'poster girl' of the struggling Yes campaign for the past six weeks, Mrs Lindh was still smiling down posthumously yesterday from billboards, her outstretched hand now clutching roses stuck on by mourners. Mrs Lindh said recently she would find it suffocating to live with bodyguards. She clung to her privacy, commuting 90 miles daily to Nyköping to ensure that her sons, 12 and nine, grew up simply in their home town. At times she read state papers sitting on the carriage floor. 'We must defend this special little political environment we have, so that we don't have blue lights and sirens like they do in other countries,' she said. 'The murder is a catastrophe,' said her close friend and mentor, the MEP Maj-Britt Theorin. 'Anna was the outstanding figure of Swedish politics. But I'm afraid we're seeing things in Sweden that we never had before. There are shootings and criminal gangs. Violence has started to become normal.'

Peter Englund, a historian, said the murder could prove even more traumatic than the assassination of Olof Palme, the prime minister shot in the back while walking home from the cinema with his wife in 1986. "If this was politically motivated, or came from the extreme Left or Right, it will have enormous repercussions," he said. "What makes it worse is that Palme was on his way out, but Anna Lindh was the rising star and most probably our next prime minister."

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#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2006 - ws349

To all appearances it was an expensive gold-plated ballpoint with obsidian on the clip. By depressing the clip and turning the nib cover you switched the point from a real pen to a hypodermic with a lethal transfer agent. It would paralyze the victim in fifteen to twenty seconds and kill in three minutes. *Succinylcholine* is a synthetic form of curare that shuts down all the muscles...including the diaphragm. The victim can't breathe, speak or move.

The onset of symptoms is about sixty seconds with the full effects after a minute and a half when the victim collapses and breathing stops completely. The heart is starved of oxygen as it tries to beat but fails to deliver any oxygen to the body or to itself. Death is extremely painful. The brain has three minutes' worth of oxygen in it so unconsciousness takes place at three-minutes unless the victim has been exercising beforehand. Five minutes after being struck the victim loses consciousness with complete brain death after seven minutes. It is a miserable death as the victim is fully awake but can't breathe as his heart rapidly goes into anoxia...a massive induced heart attack.

For spooks the beauty of all this is that only a really sharp pathologist will pick up the cause of death on a toxicology scan...and then only if prepped to look for it. The only hard part is to get the victim in the buttocks. Bodies are lain out on their backs in most morgues and are hardly ever turned over. Not even drug addicts inject themselves in the buttocks. The cause of death will normally be recorded as an unexplained heart attack.

I learnt this from Tom Clancy's 2004 novel *The Teeth of the Tiger* about a *Black Ops Assassination Unit* set up Jesuit-fashion outside the normal *US Government's Pentagon-CIA* chain of command...with full pre-authorised *Presidential Pardons* for the assassins. Tom Clancy has a distinguished record of inventing the *Real World*.

Today Lord Stevens' produced a report assuring us that although the Queen's husband did not approve of his ex-daughter-in-law he had not instructed *MI6* to murder her. When the head of *RCA Records* was told that Elvis Presley had been found dead at *Gracelands* he is said to have remarked: 'Great career move.' That is rather how I felt after recovering from the shock of waking up to the news that Princess Diana had died in a car crash in *Paris*.

At the time of her death Diana was living an 'evanescent existence in the company of a coke-snorting *Arab* playboy and his *Eurotrash* acolytes' in the words of Richard Littlejohn in today's *Daily Mail*. The pedestal upon which she had planted her designer standard in her glory days had long since crumbled. After her divorce from Prince Charles Diana announced that she intended to remain an 'independent member of the *Royal Family*' which is rather like Yoko Ono claiming to be an independent member of *The Beatles*. To the *Royal House* Diana was *Breeding Stock* with just one job...to produce an 'heir and a spare'. Job well done. Off to *St Tropez* and the *Paris Ritz* with her.

So when her drunken chauffeur ploughed into a wall pursued by foreign paparazzi it seemed a fitting end. This was Diana's James Dean moment, her Jim Morrison overdose, her Buddy Holly plane crash. The legend was assured. And so it would have remained if the nation had not been dragged into a spiral of madness as Alistair Campbell manipulated the nation's tabloid-induced mood with his trademark cynicism. Remember the trembling lip and watery eye of our new Prime Minister as he hijacked the return of the body? 'She was the People's Princess.' Vote for me. For a few days it was *Euro 96* with flowers. She's coming home, she's coming home, she's coming home.

Anyone who dissented from the ruthlessly-enforced mourning was treated like a heretic. One man was beaten up for not showing enough 'respect'. His crime was to clean his car on the morning of the funeral. The *Royal Family* was pilloried for not grieving in public. There was an air of real menace. *England* seemed to be teetering on the brink of our *Bastille* moment. Diana would have loved every second. But the moment passed. Once the withered floral tributes were swept away the vicarious grief subsided as quickly as it had erupted. A year later there was an attempt to recreate the mood with a *Lady Diana Memorial Walk* setting off

from *Hyde Park*. Millions were expected but fewer than a couple of hundred turned up. The nation had ‘moved on’...to use President Blair’s phrase.

From his grassy knoll in *Knightsbridge* Mohammed Al Fayed has led the accusations that Diana had been murdered, that Prince Philip was an *M15* agent and that *Mossad* did it. He even bought the *Daily Express* to further his campaign. The *French Investigation* had already knocked this on the head so the *Phoney Pharaoh* sought to mastermind his own conspiracy to persuade the *Celebrity World* that his son was about to marry the mother of the future *King of England*. This is where *Lord Steven’s Report* is at its most persuasive. He talked to Diana’s friends.

From the *Establishment’s* point of view the main advantage of bringing in Lord Stevens and charging him with carrying out the definitive inquiry was to shut the door on the *Conspiracy Theorists*. Of course this is never possible...and we have an inquest to come in the *New Year*...but nonetheless the *Stevens Report* has shifted the balance of probability significantly by assuring us that there was no conspiracy, Diana wasn’t pregnant, she wasn’t about to get engaged to a *Moslem*...and she wasn’t murdered. Perhaps he got it right? Who knows? Evenin’ all!

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#### ANNA LINDH

(19 June 1957 - 11 September 2003)

Sweden’s Minister of the Environment (1994-1998)

Sweden’s Minister for Foreign Affairs (1998-2003)



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