

Chuck Hayes, Danny Casolaro, and Main Core

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Regarding Chuck Hayes, Bill Hamilton told me: “Approximately a week prior to Danny Casolaro's death in early August 1991, Charles Hayes, allegedly a former contractor for the CIA's Division D, telephoned me to say, in his hillbilly way of speaking, that Danny Casolaro was 'fixing to go' to an address in Washington, D.C. that Hayes had warned him could get Casolaro killed but Casolaro was strong-headed and intended to go there anyway. Allegedly, that the facility was near the White House on Jackson Place, N.W. and involved access to a computer system used for 'blackmail' of journalists and government officials.”

Jackson Place is a government owned block of historical townhouses in Washington, D.C. near the White House.

Hamilton: “I was told by a consistently reliable intelligence source months after Danny's death that a fourstory townhouse on Jackson Place, very close to the White House, had housed a four-person U.S. Army crypto unit for years, evidently for White House access to certain encrypted databases, and that a week before Danny's death there had been a break-in at this townhouse.”

U.S. national security researcher Mike Best suggested to me that the town-house in question could have been “possibly 716 Jackson Place, which has four stories and a basement.”

Anyway, Hamilton told me more details about Danny Casolaro's death: “About a month before his death, Danny telephoned my wife Nancy and me the morning after he had been approached in his neighborhood pub by Joseph Cuellar who claimed to have recently returned from the 'Desert Storm' campaign in Iraq and to have been demobilized as a U.S. Army Special Forces Intelligence Major and taken a job as a civilian employee of a private security company known as Business Risks International. Danny told us that Cuellar was fluent in both Arabic and Spanish and had driven a jeep into Iraq on his own before the start of Desert Storm.

Danny told us Cuellar had introduced himself to Danny and to Danny's date, Lynn Knowles, and, after asking Danny what he did and hearing Danny explain about his work on a book about the INSLAW Affair, volunteered that he knew all about the INSLAW Affair because the Justice Department's PROMIS Contracting Officer for the INSLAW U.S. Attorneys Offices contract, Peter Videnieks, was Cuellar's closest friend.

Cuellar, Danny, and Lynn Knowles had several more meetings in the final month of Danny's life and Danny told us Cuellar had arranged for Danny to spend an upcoming weekend outside the Metropolitan Washington, DC area being interviewed by Danny, to which claim Nancy said the following to Danny: 'It sounds like a set-up, Danny. What was Cuellar doing in your neighborhood pub? It is not in Videnieks's interest to agree to be questioned by you for an entire weekend because you wish to undress Videnieks?'

By the way, Joseph Cuellar evidently had not really been demobilized, as he claimed to Danny, upon his return in early 1991 from the Desert Storm campaign in Iraq. Instead, he continued as an active duty U.S. Army Special Forces Intelligence Major but on a covert intelligence assignment for which he did not wear his uniform but instead posed as a civilian employee of a private security firm named Business Risks International (BRI).

Business Risks International had earlier approached INSLAW through Milbank, Tweed, Hadley and

McCloy's New York City headquarters with an offer to do investigative work for Milbank on the INSLAW case at a discounted price and deferred billing so BRI could gain experience in the litigation support aspect of private investigations.

When Cuellar introduced himself to Danny, he gave Danny a business card showing Cuellar to be an employee of BRI.

I was told by a consistently reliable U.S. intelligence source that BRI was a cutout for the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), that FEMA administered Main Core for hand-off to the Army and the DIA in the event of a national catastrophe and the imposition of martial law, and that Cuellar's covert intelligence assignment was to locate and retrieve every copy of Main Core computer printouts that Danny had acquired from Alan Standorf, a civilian NSA employee at NSA's Vint Hill, Virginia intercept facility who was found beaten to death in the back seat of his car in the parking lot of Reagan National Airport in early January 1991, a murder that the government claims it was never able to solve; it claims to believe that Alan Standorf was murdered in the course of a street robbery that went bad. I have always regarded that claim by the government to be implausible because the murder of any NSA employee would need to be solved for fear that it might have been connected to foreign espionage.“

Mike Best said, he agreed on this, and referred to this article on the Standorf case:

<https://glomardisclosure.com/2017/03/18/fbi-violates-doj-guidance-withholding-file-murdered-nsawhistleblower/>

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