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Stark's radar failed to detect Iraqi missiles



U.S. sailor on watch spotted them seconds before explosion

From Wire Reports

MANAMA, Bahrain - The USS Stark's sophisticated radar system failed to pick up two missiles - fired Sunday from an Iraqi warplane in the Persian Gulf - that smashed into the Navy frigate and killed 37 sailors, the U.S. Middle East task force commander said Tuesday.

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radar had locked onto the ship, but at no time by a ship's radar when it is fired. was there any indication that a missile had Bernsen said the ship followed standard Navy procedure, trying to make radio contact locked onto the ship," he said. with the Iraqi pilot, but "unfortunately, those "It may have been a kind of missile that two radio calls were called to the Iraqi plane did not in fact display an indication such as a laser-guided missile, which does not have any at a relatively close range. "There was no reply," he said. electronic signature. You can't tell if that is Whether to fire at that point was the coming." "judgment on the part of the folks on the The French-made air-to-ground Exocet ship," Bernsen said. Early reports said the missile - unlike a laser-guided missile -Iraqi plane fired air-to-ground French-made uses a homing device that can be picked up

Exocet missiles.

"It was conceivable it was another missile," Bernsen said. "I believe it was an Exocet, but it's conceivable it was another missile.

"If it had been not an Exocet missile, in

Rear Adm. Harold Bernsen said radio calls went unanswered.

Rear Adm. Harold Bernsen said the ship tracked the Iraqi F-1 Mirage jet by radar as it flew over the gulf and issued two unanswered challenges by radio. But only a sailor on watch saw the missiles seconds before they punched through the ship's portside hull into the forward living quarters and exploded. "The ship did recognize that the aircraft's

other words, not an active-homing missile but a laser-guided missile, there would have been no indication" the ship was about to be hit, Bernsen said.

The Iraqi Mirage was 10 to 12 miles from the ship when it fired. An Exocet fired from that distance traveling at 500 mph would have taken little more than 12 seconds to hit

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College athletes get subpoenas in probe of agents Some could be accused of fraud on their schools

By Chris Mortensen Staff Writer

College athletes were told by a U.S. attorney Tuesday they could face up to one year in jail for fraud and tax evasion in a case involving two New York sports agents, according to sources close to a federal grand jury.

The Atlanta Constitution also learned that Keith Johnson, a University of Georgia football player, is scheduled to testify before the grand jury in Chicago investigating agent Norby Walters and his top aide, Lloyd Bloom. A source said the athletic scholarship documents of Johnson, a center who completed his eligibility last season, have been subpoenaed. Johnson confirmed Tuesday that he knows Walters, but he declined to discuss his relationship with the agent. He said he has not received a subpoena. Georgia athletic director Vince Dooley declined comment. Walters and Bloom have admitted signing college athletes whose eligibility had not expired, giving them money and providing them with cars. By signing with agents, the players would violate National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) rules. Such violations could result in penalties for the schools and athletic programs involved. The grand jury is investigating reports that Walters and his partner Lloyd Bloom threatened former clients who had broken agreements with them. Walters has filed six breach of contract suits against his



Witness: North predicted he'd be 'fall guy'

But he said he was acting under orders By Bob Dart

Owen says he was North's 'eyes, ears' By Bob Dart

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The Associated Press

Robert Owen testifies Tuesday during the congressional hearings into the Irancontra scandal. Owen, a self-described

'foot soldier' in the secret supply operation to the contras, said he nicknamed **Oliver North 'Blood and Guts.'**

3 show AIDS virus after exposure to patient blood, CDC says

By Charles Seabrook

Science/Medicine Writer

Three female hospital workers have developed AIDS virus infections after their skin was exposed briefly to the blood of infected patients, researchers at the national Centers for Disease Control (CDC) said Tuesday.

In one case, a lab technician developed an AIDS virus infection after blood that she was drawing from an infected patient accidentally splattered into her mouth.

She and the other two women, from different parts of the country, represent the first documented cases of AIDS infections among healthcare workers in which spread of the virus did not involve direct injection of infected blood into the body, or prolonged exposure to body fluids of an infected patient.

"The take-home message here is that it emphasizes that health-care workers coming into contact with blood should follow certain precautions," said Dr. James W. Curran, head of the

AIDS branch at the Atlanta-based CDC.

The precautions, long advocated by the CDC, include wearing gloves, and in some cases masks, gowns and eye protection. Two of the women were not wearing gloves when they were exposed to AIDS-contaminated blood.

Curran said Tuesday that each of the women had "skin problems" - such as chapped hands, dermatitis or breaks in the skin - through which

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Journal-Constitution Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON - Fired White House aide Oliver North claimed to have approval for his secret operations but predicted he would be the "fall guy" in the Iran-contra scandal, former contra courier Robert Owen testified Tuesday.

"He and I would often talk," said Owen. "And he said on several occasions that he would always be the fall guy if this story ever broke."

Owen is a former congressional staff member who carried cash, maps and other documents in covert trips between North's office next door to the White House and the rebels in Nicaragua. He testified for the second day Tuesday in joint hearings being conducted by House and Senate committees.

Owen is a former aide to Sen. Dan Quayle (R-Ind.) and worked briefly for the lobbying and public relations firm Gray and Co. He testified that he became committed to the contra cause. Marine Lt. Col. North shared that passion, he said. Owen said he and North whom he nicknamed "Blood and Guts" - became friends.

Owen, 34, testified that he believes the late CIA Director William Casey knew "everything" about North's secret operations, which included diverting millions

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Journal-Constitution Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON - Robert Owen - code-named "TC" for "The Courier" - ended his testimony before Iran-contra committees Tuesday by reciting a poem, an ode to Lt. Col. Oliver North.

"Fear, anguish and despair are with us daily, yet in our darkest hours we have three things that help sustain us: our faith in God Almighty, the love and support of our families, the knowledge that on this troubled earth there still walk men like Ollie North," Owen said.

The poem illustrated the depth of devotion that Owen, in two days of testimony, expressed for North, the former National Security Council staff member at the center of the Iran-contra affair.

"I can only add that I love Ollie North like a brother," Owen told the committees. "I believe when he comes before you and he's allowed to tell the American people his side of the story, that he will do it honestly."

In his testimony at the hearings, Owen said he became an amateur "secret agent" and served as "the eyes and ears of Ollie North" on his frequent trips to Central America.

In testimony that resembled the dialogue of a spy novel, he

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Webster wins Senate OK as CIA chief

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Senate on Tuesday overwhelmingly confirmed FBI Director William Webster as the 14th director of the CIA. succeeding the late William Casey.

Webster, who in his nearly 10 years as FBI director built an excellent working relationship with Congress, was praised as a director likely to repair relations between Congress and the CIA damaged from the Iran-contra affair.

The vote was 94-1 for confirmation, with Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.) voting no.

Webster takes over the CIA at a sensitive time when its role in the Iran-contra affair has become the focus of much testimony in congressional hearings into the scandal.

In confirmation hearings before

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Partly cloudy

Wednesday in Atlanta will be partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain. High in the mid-80s. Details, 10-C.

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A federal Bankruptcy Court judge ruled Tuesday that the founder of a fundamentalist church must return \$6.6 million he duped chain store heiress Elizabeth Dovydenas (above) into donating. 2-A.

Symphony strikes deal for new summer home

By Gary Hendricks Staff Writer

The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra will move its pops series to a new north Fulton County amphitheater beginning in the summer of 1989, symphony officials said Tuesday.

In association with Atlanta promoters, the national promotions firm of Pace Productions Inc. of Houston, will finance and build the outdoor facility to specifications set by the symphony, according to

an agreement in principle to be announced Wednesday.

The deal may put two amphitheaters in competition. The symphony has rejected an offer from developer Richard Lipton of Quest Ventures, who proposed an outdoor facility near Webb Road northeast of downtown Alpharetta.

Lipton is negotiating with the Nederlander pro-

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Defense: Lockheed knew sale possibly illegal

By Tracy Thompson Staff Writer

"The less said about this one wrote one Lockheed official in a February 1985 memo describing the 100-30 airplanes. The three - Edproposed sale of two airplanes valued at \$50 million to a company mar Gadhafi.

The memo, written by Bob a hostile country. Ramsey, a government affairs ad-

as evidence this week by attorneys at this time - probably is better," for three California businessmen who brokered the sale of the two Lward J. Elkins, Thomas J. Burnham and Franklin D.R. Corcoran - are later discovered to be a front for now charged with violating the the Libyan government of Moam- Arms Export Control Act by selling

In the three-page, handwritten

viser in Lockheed's international document, addressed to internationmarketing division, was introduced al marketing head Elmer J. Laurent, Ramsey discussed the preliminary checking he had done on the California company that brokered the sale, Armoflex Inc., as well as the Libyan-owned West German company that bought the airplanes, Contrust.

"I think we have done all of the aircraft destined for military use to preliminary checking on Armoflex

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Athletes

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former clients.

News reports of the agents' dealings prompted the grand jury to look into their relationships with players.

Possible charges faced by Walters and Bloom include extortion, racketeering, wire fraud and mail fraud, according to sources. The athletes could face wire and mail fraud charges. Also, tax evasion charges could apply if they failed to report money received from the agents.

In many cases, athletes who knowingly violated terms of their scholarships could face possible joint indictments, with Walters and Bloom as co-conspirators, charging fraud upon their respective colleges.

An NCAA official, who asked for anonymity, said Tuesday that 60 athletes from 28 schools will eventually be subpoenaed to appear before the federal grand jury and testify on their dealings with Walters and Bloom. The number includes eight football players who were recent first-round selections in the National Football League draft.

Also included are college players who were not drafted by the NFL, such as Edwin Simmons of the University of Texas. Willie Anderson, agent for Simmons, said Simmons phoned him in a panic and said, "They're going to throw me in jail for a year."

"Edwin went up there to cooperate and they hit him with this," said Anderson. "It's caught us completely off-guard. Apparently, that's what they're hitting the athletes up with: one-year imprisonment for fraud and tax evasion." Two attorneys representing other subpoenaed players told The Constitution that the players they represent were also threatened with imprisonment. The attorneys asked to remain unidentified. Some of the athletes who have been subpoenaed, or will be, have eligibility remaining. Among those named by sources are Gaston Green of UCLA and Cris Carter of Ohio State. Green is considered a favorite for the Heisman Trophy next season. Others include two rising juniors from the University of Pittsburgh, running back Charles Gladman and defensive back Teryl Austin. They have been subpoenaed to appear in June. Any player with eligibility remaining who accepted money from or signed with the agents will be declared ineligible to play in 1987. Also scheduled to appear is Alabama basketball center Derrick McKey, the Southeastern Conference's most valuable player last season, who recently was declared ineligible for his senior year because he had accepted money from Walters. Other subpoenas have been sent to the University of South Carolina and to agent Sherwood Blount of Dallas, a central figure in the "death penalty" handed down by the NCAA to SMU for recruiting violations. Howard M. Pearl is the U.S. attorney spearheading

the grand jury investigation. He has declined comment. Sources say a key part of Pearl's case involves application of the RICO (Racketeering Influenced Corrupt Organizations) act, a federal law aimed at fraud, racketeering and organized crime. There is disagreement among attorneys on whether RICO is applicable.

The Constitution learned that other athletes who appeared Tuesday or will appear in subsequent weeks are:

Brent Fullwood of Auburn; Kenny Flowers and Terrence Flagler of Clemson; Terry Coner of Alabama; Adrian White of Florida; Reggie Rogers of Washington; Louis Brock Jr. of Southern California; John Clay of Missouri; Paul Palmer of Temple; Garland Rivers of Michigan; Frankie Neal of Fort Hays State and formerly of Florida; George Swarn of Miami (Ohio); Simmons, Everett Gay and William Harris of Texas; Jerry Ball, Jeff Atkins, Terrence Mann and Ron Morris, all of Southern Methodist University; Marc Logan of Kentucky, and Doug Dubose of Nebraska.

Bloom reportedly threatened to have Morris' hands broken if Morris signed with another agent. The Constitution reported on March 12 that the NFL (National Football League) Players Association also reported two threats against unnamed players by Walters and Bloom. Walters has denied these charges. Bloom could not been reached for comment.

Current professional athletes scheduled to appear at the grand jury include a National Basketball Association player, Brad Sellers of the Chicago Bulls, who had dealings with Walters when he played at Ohio State University.

Current NFL players subpoenaed include Tim Mc-Gee of the Cincinnati Bengals and formerly of Tennessee; Ronnie Harmon of the Buffalo Bills and Devon Mitchell of the Detroit Lions, both formerly of Iowa, and Craig Swoope of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and formerly of Illinois.

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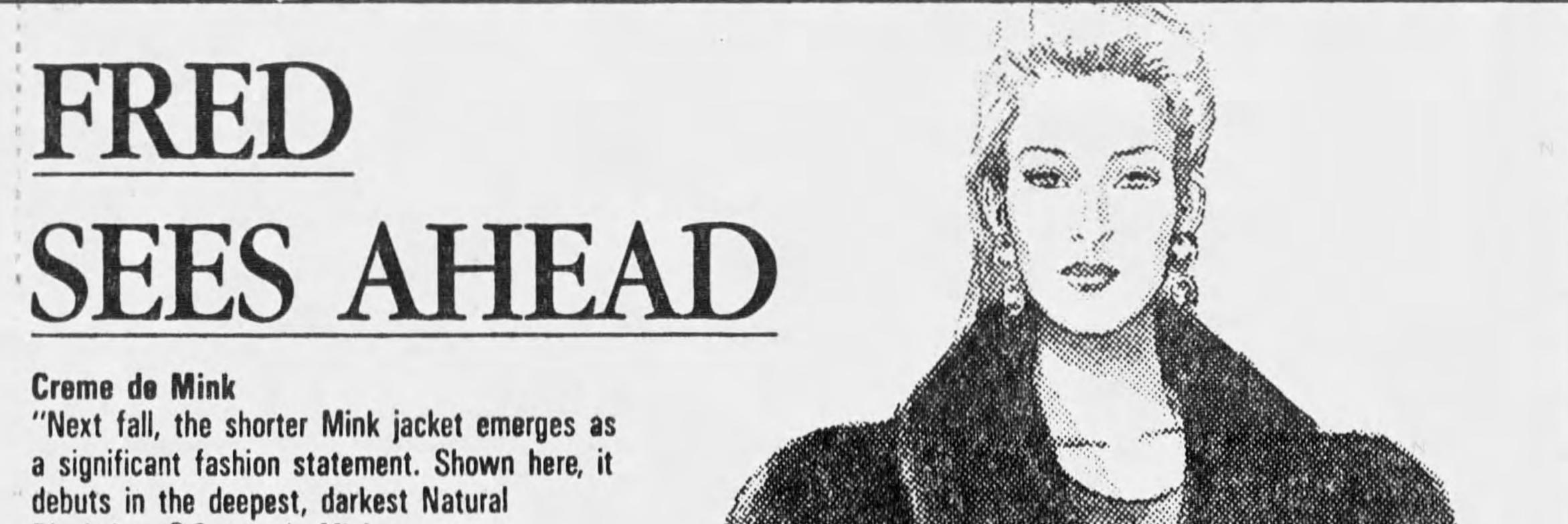
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Anderson said Simmons, his client, had been told by an FBI agent last month that he would receive tax immunity for cooperating in the investigation.

"But Edwin went in there today, and they mentioned nothing about immunity," Anderson said. "This thing is getting scary - for Edwin, tragic. The kid didn't know what he was getting into, and to top it off, he didn't even get drafted."

Fullwood's attorney, Richard Glicko, acknowledges there might be ground for the RICO statute to be used against the players and agents as co-conspirators. Players are required each year to sign recertification scholarship documents that state they are in good standing with regard to NCAA rules.

"There is no law prohibiting athletes foregoing any eligibility," said Glicko. "But where the term 'conspiracy' comes into play could be where the athletes seek to hide the existence of a representation agreement. Then you have players who are student-athletes who are no longer eligible but knowingly participate in the athletic program. That the program and school could be penalized is a detriment, and considering the business of college athletics, considerable damage is possible."



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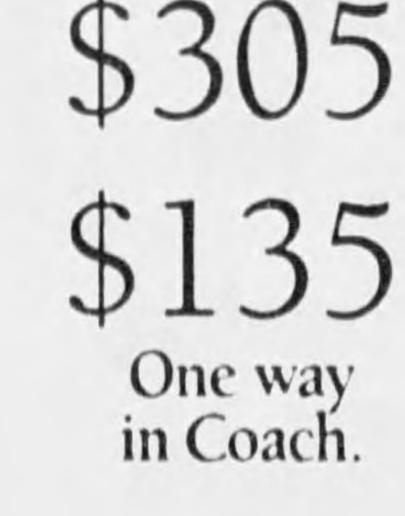


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