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OCT MEETING -- WED OCT 8, 2014

“The Egg & I” -- 6909 Menaul Blvd (just East of Louisiana)

Sign In and Order Lunch: 11:00 / Pledge of Allegiance, Call to Order 11:30

Speaker: Donald J. Fingleton, PhD and Counterintelligence Specialist

SEPTEMBER WRAP:

Excellent meeting well attended. Members present were: Al Baye, Pete Bostwick, Joe Cantergiani, Tom Dyble, Mike Ford, Ron Page, Adolph Saenz, Sam Shaw, Richard Sullivan, and Joe and Jean Yardumian.

Principal topic of discussion was the Scholarship program, with principal focus on award amounts and motivation to apply. The ROTC leadership has made it clear that, in these times and with the pressures on their students/cadets, a \$250 scholarship is no longer attractive, and anecdotal evidence from other programs seems to support that a more generous award is appropriate in this day and age, and higher amounts are likely to attract better applicants. At the end of the day, the group voted to adopt a two-tier approach—one \$600 scholarship and one \$400 award.

In addition to discussion of award amounts, there was a great deal of enthusiasm about Prof. Frank Gilfeather’s National Security Studies Program at UNM. Members had earlier expressed a desire for an interactive relationship with that program, and there was unanimous approval at this meeting to see if we can extend the scholarship eligibility to this program. We have sent an email to Prof. Gilfeather to float the issue, and will see if it is a good “fit” for his class. We are hoping Prof. Gilfeather will be able to join us for our October meeting; if so, we might be able to kick this around with him after Dr. Fingleton’s presentation.

THE INTELLIGENCE FRONT:

I think it goes without saying that the appearance of the ISIS/ISIL/Islamic State band of thugs, purporting to operate in the name of Islam to establish a Caliphate and eliminate all “infidels” (including, of course, all Muslims who don’t agree with their vision) has to be a priority for our security services and those of all our Allies. There are hazards aplenty for us in trying to counter this group. The Sunni-Shiite divide is a seriously compromising factor for anyone trying to form an Arab coalition to confront the I.S. Additionally, the likelihood of the U.S. putting any significant force on the ground in the Middle East is slim to nil. Groups like the Kurds and Yazidis might be capable allies if they were properly armed and supported, but that’s a tenuous proposition, politically. The political ramifications for the U.S. are unsettling, to say the least, if

our government falls into bed with those who are willing to form expedient relationships that they can later disavow. And, on our home front, we'd best be turning up the heat and enhancing Intelligence on our borders, on returnees from the Middle East who may have gone off to fight for I.S., and on locating the "lone wolf" jihadists who—even if not allied with I.S.—will now be inspired and emboldened by such a vicious group. In short, a still-unsettled world.

Rather than attach Dr. Fingleton's biography, separately, we're going to embed it in the Newsletter. Please enjoy, and please come to what should be a very interesting meeting. Your Chapter officers look forward to seeing you, and hope you will bring guests whom you think might also be interested.

Respectfully,
Pete Bostwick and Mike Ford
Your Co-Presidents

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Dr. Fingleton founded D⁴ Enterprise in early 2010 to provide private industry and US Government agencies advice on protecting critical program information from economic collection and industrial espionage activities. Prior to this he was a Counterintelligence Specialist with the Department of Energy's Counterintelligence Training Academy (CITA) with a focus on providing counterintelligence (CI) training for the national laboratory science and engineering community and CI professional development training for the U.S. intelligence community. He is a frequent keynote speaker at Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Counterintelligence Strategic Partnership conferences and workshops across the country, often teamed with former intelligence officers from hostile intelligence services. Dr. Fingleton also served on the FBI's Region Nine Counterintelligence Working Group and the U.S. Attorney's Anti-terrorism Advisory Council.

Before joining CITA he was primarily a physical scientist with positions at New Mexico State University, College of Engineering; Founding Director, Carlsbad Environmental Monitoring & Research Center; the FBI; and Argonne National Laboratory. While at Argonne, he had special assignments at Harvard University and the East-West Center in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dr. Fingleton has a Bachelors Degree in Physical Science and Mathematics; Masters Degrees in Mechanical Engineering, Atmospheric Science, Geochemistry, and Industrial Hygiene; and a Doctorate in Environmental Chemistry. He has over 150 scientific publications and has delivered more than 400 presentations on a wide variety of topics. In 2007, Dr. Fingleton received commendation from FBI Director Robert S. Mueller III for “Exceptional Service in the Public Interest.”

Dr. Fingleton is a unique member of the intelligence community in that he is an experienced counterintelligence specialist with significant academic and research experience who as an environmental chemist, with no access to classified information (i.e., no clearance), was targeted by hostile intelligence services and terrorists. He has firsthand experience conducting research in a threat environment.