Princess Diana was "treated" at the Alma tunnel for an hour, and then it took an additional 43 minutes to drive her, by ambulance, to the La Pitié Salpêtrière hospital—just five miles from the crash site! She died moments before she was brought into surgery.

French officials claimed that French emergency rescue procedures are different from those used in America, and that French emergency rescue vehicles are "mobile surgery units." However, a senior French doctor—who designed the Paris emergency response system—told *EIR* in 1997 that Diana should have been in surgery in a hospital within 25-30 minutes after the rescue crews arrived. Under such "standard procedures," especially for VIPs, Diana would have been alive today, the doctor opined.

The emergency response and the forensic investigation at the Alma tunnel was personally directed by Philippe Massoni, the police chief of Paris. Interior Minister Jean-Pierre Chevènement was at the hospital, in minute-to-minute contact with the teams at the tunnel, an hour before Diana arrived. What do these senior French officials know about the bungling of the rescue effort?

High-Level Politics

As *EIR* reported from day one, the death of Princess Diana and Dodi Fayed was not a story of star-crossed lovers. Rather, it was an affair of state.

Princess Diana, from no later than 1990, was publicly challenging the authority of the House of Windsor—first, in her collaboration with author Andrew Morton, and later in her November 1995 television appearance on BBC Panorama. In that two-hour interview, Princess Diana declared that Prince Charles was unqualified to serve as King. As a member of the Spencer family, which had descended from British royalty long before the Hanover/Windsors migrated from Germany, Princess Diana's *political* attacks on the Royals represented a very significant challenge to the authority of the British monarchy. Following her BBC appearance, Princess Diana was the target of a vile smear campaign by the Establishment media, which demanded, "Off with her head!" This was a year and a half before her relationship with Dodi Fayed began.

This declaration of war by Diana was not lost on the Royals—particularly on Prince Philip, as noted in a chillingly ironic piece that appeared in the British media on the morning of the Princess's death. On Sunday, Aug. 31, 1997, the *Mirror* had written:

"At Balmoral next week, the Queen will preside over a meeting of The Way Ahead Group where the Windsors sit down with their senior advisers and discuss policy matters. MI6 has prepared a special report on the Egyptian-born Fayeds which will be presented to the meeting....

"A friend of the Royals said yesterday: 'Prince Philip has let rip several times recently about the Fayeds.... He's been banging on about his contempt for Dodi and how he is undesirable as a future stepfather to William and Harry.' Diana has

been told in no uncertain terms about the consequences should she continue the relationship with the Fayed boy. . . . Now the Royal Family may have decided it is time to settle up."

Moments before that edition of the *Sunday Mirror* appeared on newsstands all across Great Britain, Princess Diana was pronounced dead.

'The Reality Is That It Was Murder'

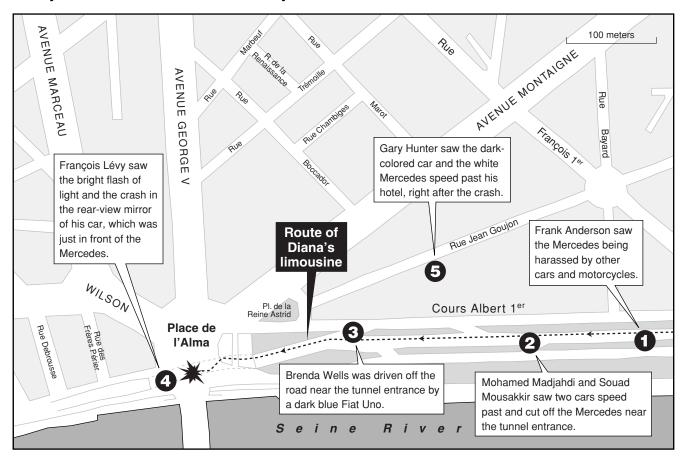
On Aug. 29, Mohamed Al Fayed released a videotaped statement that was played at a Washington, D.C. press conference, given by Harrods security director John Macnamara and attorneys Mark Zaid and Ian Burton. Al Fayed's statement appears below in its entirety.

Three years ago, on Aug. 31, 1997, I lost my beloved son Dodi and a dear friend, Diana, Princess of Wales, in a tragic event in Paris, France. The car crash that took the lives of these two lovely people has been portrayed as a traffic accident caused by a drunk driving at high speed. The reality is that it was murder. The person portrayed as the drunk driver was Henri Paul, the second in charge of security at the Paris Ritz Hotel. According to reputable sources, Henri Paul spent at least three years in the employ of MI6, the British foreign intelligence service.

We have forensic proof, which has been submitted to the Court of Appeals in Paris, that the blood sample upon which the French are relying to prove that Henri Paul was drunk, in fact contained over 21% carbon monoxide. This fact seriously calls into question whether the blood was his, for Henri Paul died instantaneously upon impact and could not have breathed in the noxious fumes. The statement issued by the French authorities that Henri Paul was three times over the legal limit [for alcohol] was issued within 36 hours of the crash and before his body samples had even been analyzed. This is but one example of the disinformation being disseminated, which I believe is being orchestrated by the British security services in their attempt to cover up the truth.

Since that tragic day three years ago, I have not rested in my search for the truth. From the irrefutable facts which have been uncovered, it is clear to me that evil and racist forces, working through the British security services, murdered my son and Princess Diana. MI6 is controlled by the Establishment of the United Kingdom. They answer ultimately to the Royal Household, which would never have accepted my son, a naturally tanned, curly-haired Egyptian, being married to the mother of the future King of England and becoming his stepfather. The drama of Romeo and Juliet continues to repeat itself almost 500 years after William Shakespeare penned his tragic story.

FIGURE 1
Six Eyewitnesses Provided Remarkably Consistent Accounts of the Assassination



Open U.S. Government Files

Evidence will eventually be tested in an open forum, either in the Appeal Court in Paris or at the Coroners' Courts in the United Kingdom. There are still many unanswered questions, not least of which relate to documents held by United States government agencies, especially the National Security Agency (NSA) and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). The United States' intelligence-gathering network, through the most sophisticated satellite systems, allowed the NSA to spy on Diana, Princess of Wales, perhaps while she was in the company of my son, even when they were aboard my yacht in Sardinia. They monitored many of her conversations and apparently passed the information to MI6. There are at least 39 documents, consisting of 1,054 pages, held by the NSA alone. The NSA, however, refuses to release the documents or even publicly acknowledge the existence of the tapes, by hiding behind the cloak of national security. How can the innocent conversations of two people, very much in love, possibly jeopardize the security of the United States of America, particularly when the existence of the tapes is well known? The information in these files can form part of the jigsaw puzzle now being assembled, to reveal the truth. Tomorrow, I will be filing a lawsuit before the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, to compel the United States government to release all relevant information it possesses regarding the tragedy and related events.

Included among the relevant documents is information pertaining to the U.S. Department of Justice's failure to fully investigate and prosecute individuals who attempted to take advantage of Princess Diana's death and my grief, by extorting \$20 million from me by offering for sale alleged CIA documents, describing MI6's involvement in the assassination of my son and Princess Diana. One of the men, Oswald LeWinter, was prosecuted immediately by the Austrian government and is now imprisoned in Vienna for his part in the scheme. Although the documents were later determined to be forgeries, LeWinter insists that the original documents describing the murder plot are held by the CIA. Almost two and a half years have passed since Le Winter's imprisonment; yet despite overwhelming evidence in the United States, the U.S. Attorney's Office in the District of Columbia has made no move to prosecute anyone else.

I will never rest until the truth is discovered. Those

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responsible for the murders must be brought to justice. I am a great believer in God and I am now appealing to the American people to help me prove that two innocent people were murdered by evil people controlled by a political regime.

Mohamed Al Fayed's Suit vs. the U.S. Government

On Aug. 31, 2000—the third anniversary of the fatal car crash in Paris, France, that claimed the lives of Princess Diana, Dodi Fayed, and Henri Paul—Mohamed Al Fayed and Punch, Limited, filed a civil suit (Case No 1:00CV02092), under the Freedom of Information Act, against the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Department of Defense, the Department of Justice, the Department of State, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Executive Office of United States Attorneys, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service. The case was filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and was assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly. Here are excerpts from the suit.

This is an action under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. §552, as amended, and the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. §702 et seq., for the expedited processing and disclosure of agency records pertaining to the deaths of Princess Diana and Dodi Fayed, and events and individuals associated with the tragedy, that were improperly withheld from plaintiffs Mohamed Al Fayed and Punch Limited by defendants....

The Tragedy

14. On August 31, 1997, at approximately 12:25 a.m. local time, an automobile carrying Diana Francis Spencer, Princess of Wales, and Dodi Al Fayed crashed into the thirteenth pillar in the tunnel under the Place d'Alma in Paris, France. Princess Diana and Dodi Al Fayed were killed along with the automobile's driver, Henri Paul, a French security officer at the Ritz Hotel. Bodyguard Trevor Rees-Jones was the sole survivor.

The French Investigation

15. Shortly after the tragedy, Premier Juge d'instruction Hervé Stéphan, a French investigating magistrate, instituted an investigation. On or about January 29, 1999, it was announced that the investigation had ended and concluded that the tragedy was caused by drunk driving by Henri Paul, excessive speed and a dangerous stretch of road. Nine photographers and a press motorcyclist were placed under formal investigation—a step immediately before being formally

charged—for manslaughter and failing to render aid to accident victims. On or about September 3, 1999, Judge Stéphan dismissed all charges against the photographers and motorcyclist.

16. The decision to formally end the investigation is presently under appeal by Al Fayed, and judicial proceedings are scheduled for September 2001.

Richard Tomlinson

17. Richard Tomlinson, 37, is a former MI6 (British foreign intelligence service) officer who served from September 1991 through April 1995.

18. On or about August 28, 1998, Tomlinson informed investigating magistrate Hervé Stéphan that Henri Paul, the chauffeur killed in the tragedy, had been on the MI6 payroll for at least three years. He also revealed that the death crash resembled an MI6 plot to kill Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic in Geneva. A copy of the affidavit Tomlinson provided to Judge Stéphan is available at www.alfayed.com/dianaanddodi/tomlinson.html.

19. In or around September 1998, Tomlinson traveled to the United States on board a Swiss Air Flight in order to appear on an NBC television program to discuss his recent revelations. Upon arrival at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, Tomlinson was escorted off the plane by United States government officials and detained for several hours. He was never permitted to enter the United States, and instead was placed back on a plane to Europe.

20. Upon information and belief, the United States government prevented Tomlinson from entering the United States at the request of MI6 or other British government officials.

Oswald LeWinter

21. Oswald LeWinter ("LeWinter"), 70, has claimed to be a former United States intelligence operative for more than two decades. He has been linked to several high-profile controversies here in the United States and Europe, all of which involved allegations of intelligence connections and specifically the CIA. These controversies have included LeWinter providing what apparently turned out to be disinformation regarding [the] "October Surprise," which involved allegations that individuals associated with Ronald Reagan's Presidential campaign delayed the release of American hostages in Iran in order to defeat President Jimmy Carter; claims by LeWinter that the CIA was involved in the 1986 assassination of former Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme; his appearance in a 1994 documentary on the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, entitled "The Maltese Double Cross," in which LeWinter claimed that the CIA knew that Libya was not responsible for the terrorist attack; and a 1998 attempt, more fully described below, to sell fraudulent CIA documents concerning the deaths of Princess Diana and Dodi Al Fayed.

22. In his book *October Surprise* (1991), Professor Gary Sick describes LeWinter as an "intelligence operative," who