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## "Conspiracy Theories and Cut InterTube Cables"

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Fiber-optic submarine communication cable systems and special cables for the offshore industry and other underwater and terrestrial applications. Image by NSW Naval Technology.

**February 12, 2008 Palos Heights, Illinois** - Robert A. Kezelis received his law degree from John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois, in 1986. During the past twenty-two years, Attorney Kezelis has studied international politics and behind-the-scenes intrigues that lead to wars. In addition to his law practice in Palos Heights, Illinois, Robert Kezelis is a regular contributor to the politically sassy CapitolHillBlue.com, whose motto at the top of its web page reads: "Because nobody's life, liberty or property is safe while Congress is in session or the White House is occupied."

On February 10, 2008, Attorney Kezelis submitted his commentary to CapitolHillBlue.com about the recent February 1 through 4, 2008, international news that at least four (possibly nine, according to author and political science researcher, Richard Sauder, Ph.D.) undersea fiber optic cables had been cut in the Middle East, which I reported at Earthfiles:

### "February 4, 2008 - Fourth Undersea Fiber Optic Cable Cut.

Cable linking Qatar to the United Arab Emirates was damaged on Sunday, February 3, causing more telecommunication disruptions.

Egypt's Communications Ministry reported Sunday that damage to the undersea internet cables in the Mediterranean was not caused by ship anchors, as previously speculated. In fact, the Egyptian transport ministry said that onshore video cameras at the location of the damaged cables did not show any ship traffic in the area when the communication cables were damaged.

Third damaged cable on Friday, February 1, 2008, is called Falcon and provides communication to countries in the Mediterranean and Gulf regions, according to Dow Jones Newswires. On Thursday, January 31, 2008, two other undersea fiber optic cables owned by Flag Telecom and consortium SeaMeWe-4 between Alexandria, Egypt and Palermo, Italy, were cut - according to Du, a state-owned Dubai telecom provider. Stephan Beckert, an analyst with TeleGeography, told CNN the first two damaged cables provide the majority of international communications between Europe and the Middle Fast

Cause? With public communications cut off in Iran and other Middle East regions, a geopolitical speculation is that cutting major undersea fiber optic communication cables is deliberate sabotage before some unknown upcoming event in the Middle East or elsewhere."

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"Truth is stranger than fiction, reality is weirder than any drug induced Hunter S. Thompson fairy tale, and sometimes obvious facts are so bad that the mind chooses to ignore what the eyes see right front and center.

In 1985, FBI agent Robert Hanssen began spying for the USSR, just 6 years before its collapse. One of the secrets he sold to them was the fact that a special ops submarine managed to tap the most important USSR military undersea cable in existence. The sub did this not once, but repeatedly, coming back to pick up the recorded tapes, and to replace, even upgrade the tapping equipment.

The exact dates of tapping and the results of that spying are murky, but by the few, reliable accounts that discussed that op, it was incredibly successful.

In 2001, after the attack by Saudi, Yemeni and other extremists, Iran initiated contact with the US, attempting to coordinate and deal once and for all with the Taliban and the hated Al Qaida. Iran had as much distaste for AQ as the US did.

Bush, with the vainglorious advice of Dick Cheney, and the truly inane insights of Condi Rice, rejected all contact. Bush followed up that rejection by labeling Iran part of the Axis of Evil.

Iran was understandably chagrined. The moderate leaders, who had pushed for more contact and cooperation, lost face, and worse, because of the US moves, they also lost control, allowing the more conservative forces to extend their power.

Iran decided to do more than simply react, they decided to take other steps to limit the damage that America could do to Iran. Their first step? Cutting economic ties. However, they were not the first to try.

'The man that actually did demand Euro for his oil was Saddam Hussein in 2000. At first, his demand was met with ridicule, later with neglect, but as it became clearer that he meant business, political pressure was exerted to change his mind. When other countries, like Iran, wanted payment in other currencies, most notably Euro and Yen, the danger to the dollar was clear and present, and a punitive action was in order. Bush's Shockand-Awe in Iraq was not about Saddam's nuclear capabilities, about defending human rights, about spreading democracy, or even about seizing oil fields; it was about defending the dollar, ergo the American Empire.' Source:

http://www.energybulletin.net/12125.html

This month, Iran was supposed to open its own bourse, trading oil and oil futures in Euros and other currencies, but not the dollar. Delinking oil from the dollar would protect Iran from Bush's spendthrift invasion and occupation of Iraq, and the resulting collapse of the US dollar.

Being a high tech project, the tubes of the internets would play a vital role in this new market. And behold, four major cables linking the Middle East to the rest of the world were severed, all within one week. Some ignorant US sources dutifully tried to blame it on 'ship anchors,' but even the Egyptians refused to go along with that bogus spin. Not only were two cables away from any shipping lines, no ships had passed through there at the time of the disruption.

Looking at the flotsam and jetsam that used to be the ancient and proud country of Iraq, replaced by a Green Zone which now sits next to the world's largest open sewer, one might suspect that decoupling oil from the dollar might incite a strong reaction by certain elements deep within the US power structure.

US submarine technology has not stayed static since the 1970s. To the

contrary, it has improved, along with other military technology. As we learned last year from AT&T, tapping every single communication within a phone company is not all that hard, not for the NSA, CIA, and with the tacit support of your DOJ and White House.

How much of a stretch is it to add 2+2? Either the Israelis or the US, severed the intertubes providing Iran with internet access, and in the process, tapped the lines with hi-tech links, either before or during the repair process.

He who controls information flow, controls pretty much everything. And if the US managed to tap into the entire middle east's net connections with these "accidents", well I suspect our lives have just gotten a whole lot more complex."

## Owners and Operators of Cable-Laying Ships

NSW Naval Technology
ASN Marine
Elettra Submarine Systems
FT Marine
Global Marine Systems Limited
NTT World Engineering Marine Corporation (NTT-WEM)
S. B. Submarine Systems
YIT Primatel Oyj Ltd.
E-MARINE
IT International Telecom Inc.
Subsea 7

**U. S. S. Jimmy Carter:** *Wikipedia* - "Has additional maneuvering devices fitted fore and aft that will allow her to keep station over selected targets in odd currents. Past submarines that were so outfitted were used to place listening devices on undersea cables and listen on communications of foreign countries."



U. S. S. Jimmy Carter (SSN-23) out for first sea trials, commissioned February 19, 2005. Homeport, Naval Base Kitsap, Bangor, Washington. Image courtesy U. S. Navy.

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