

Re: Wasp by Eric Frank Russell

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- * Pine Gap employs nearly 1,000 people, mainly from the CIA and the U.S.
- * National Reconnaissance Office.
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- * It is the ground station for a U.S. satellite network that intercepts
- * telephone, radio, data links and other communications around the world.

Worldwide telephone interception.

New Zealand: Unhappy Campers

You'd be unhappy too if French terrorists – er – French intelligence agency operatives sank a ship (GreenPeace!) on the shores of your country, and the USA controlled ECHELON system failed to warn you.

Here comes the usual – GROAN: "the usual" – PLUS a description of the basic mechanisms.

Spy tools, come 'n' get yer spy tools...a comprehensive look at ECHELON DICTIONARY. A look at the Beast in your phone. This is the big one.

In the section after this, 'On Monitoring', I give detailed examples of the capability of ECHELON DICTIONARY to seek out information from noise. To pick out conversations from a massive dragnet. I even give the keyword monitoring logic for spotting conversations of people actively searching to leave their current job for another employer. First read this section.

*** "Secret Power" by Nicky Hager, 1996, ISBN 0-908802-35-8

GCSB is New Zealand's Government Communications Security Bureau.

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It was with some apprehension that I learned Nicky Hager was researching the activity of our intelligence community. He has long been a pain in the establishment's neck.

There are many things in the book with which I am familiar. I couldn't tell him which was which. Nor can I tell you.

But it is an outrage that I and other ministers were told so little [yea NSA] and this raises the question of to whom those concerned saw themselves ultimately responsible.

David Lange
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