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- Gilligan's source is specific about when inclusion of the 45 minutes section took place. This suggests knowledge of when, exactly, the 45 minutes section was introduced and indicates knowledge of original drafts.

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- ~~The source appears to have first or second hand knowledge of any opposition to inclusion of the 45 minute claim. If their claims concerning the double-sourcing of most of the intelligence is correct this confirms a close knowledge of the intelligence used.~~
- Gilligan told the FASC that it was one main source who commented on the dossier, but that three other sources "in or connected to the intelligence community" have commented on "Downing Street's use of intelligence material over the last six months". Gilligan claimed it was one of these other three further sources who showed him the Top Secret DIS report of 13 January concerning links between Iraq and terrorist groups.
- The source appears to be an expert on current and recent past Iraq weapons capability, sufficiently well informed to give a statistical figure on that capability.

5. A copy of the Security Service's full analysis of the press reports and FASC transcripts are attached at Annex A, references to Gilligan's source are at annex B.

Next Steps

6. I suggest that as a next step the facts about David Kelly's role could usefully be compared with the profile that emerges from the Security Service analysis. MOD security colleagues yesterday were indicating that the Kelly issue was being handled at a very senior level in MOD and they were not involved at present in any formal leak investigation regarding Kelly. We are not currently in the loop on this aspect of the leaks. But on the strength of public reporting, whether or not Kelly turns out to be Gilligan's "45 minute" source, he may not have been in a position to leak the Scarlett memo or to be the source of the earlier (and I suggest more damaging in security terms, if not political) leak to Gilligan of the January Top Secret DIS document about links between Saddam's regime and AQ.

7. I do not know what discussion has taken place about appropriate sanctions against Kelly if he is the culprit (or one of them). But again based on public reporting, and assuming we are right in thinking he is not the source of the leaked documents, his alleged actions would not seem to merit invoking the OSA.

Please let me know if you require anything further.



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