On Monday February 27th, 2012, WikiLeaks began publishing *The Global Intelligence Files*, over five million e-mails from the Texas headquartered "global intelligence" company Stratfor. The e-mails date between July 2004 and late December 2011. They reveal the inner workings of a company that fronts as an intelligence publisher, but provides confidential intelligence services to large corporations, such as Bhopal’s Dow Chemical Co., Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Raytheon and government agencies, including the US Department of Homeland Security, the US Marines and the US Defence Intelligence Agency. The emails show Stratfor’s web of informers, pay-off structure, payment laundering techniques and psychological methods.

**Re: FSB owns your social network?**

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Do you have any more details on this?

Facebook’s sale of $1.5bn in shares is going to end next Thursday. Goldman is the lead investor along with Russia’s Digital Sky Technologies at $50-125m (are you familiar with them?). That is still a very small portion of the $50bn this puts on Facebook. So at this point, they won’t have much access.

Also, the SEC is investigating trading of Facebook and Zynga shares on secondary markets. It sounds like they will investigate the GS sale too.

and btw, if this is the FSB’s attempt to get in on social networking, they are way behind. The CIA provided a lot of the initial capital for Facebook in the first place (doubt that’s in the movie). Gov’ts are given backdoors into all these websites anyway, so they don’t need to invest.

On 1/7/11 12:20 PM, Lauren Goodrich wrote:

Kremlin-owned Russian oligarchs are purchasing all or pieces of Western social networking sites (warning to all you on them)...

Russian oligarchs Alexander Mamut (Medvedev econ advisor), Alisher Usmanov (Transneft) & Yuri Milner (Gazprom) have bought shares over the past year of:

Facebook
Zynga
Groupon
Twitter
Mail.com
Mail.ru
Headhunter (job site)
Livejournal

These are all Kremlin owned, FSB linked oligarchs.

Think of the possibility of the FSB having links into the largest social networks in the West. I don't know if it will change anything, but found it fascinating.

Just throwing this out there.

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