

Papers: Bush OK'd intel leak

Court docs in CIA leak case show Libby testified president approved disclosure

WASHINGTON Vice President Dick Cheney's former top aide told prosecutors that President Bush authorized the leak of sensitive intelligence information about Iraq, according to court papers filed by prosecutors in the CIA leak case

The filing by Special Counsel Patrick Fitzgerald points to Cheney

as being deeply involved in instructing the aide, I. Lewis Libby, to leak to the press.

Before his indictment, Libby testified to the grand jury investigating the CIA leak that Cheney told him to pass on prewar intelligence about Iraq, and it was Bush who authorized the disclosure, the court papers say. According to the documents, the authorization led to the July 8, 2003, conversation between Libby and Judith Miller, then a reporter for the New York Times

There was no indication in the filing that either Bush or Cheney authorized Libby to disclose Valerie Plame's secret CIA identity. Fitzgerald's filing addresses one



of the mysteries in the Plame affair, pointing to Cheney as an originator of the idea that the

covert CIA officer could be used to discredit her husband's criticism of the Bush administration.

The disclosure in documents filed Wednesday means that the president and the vice president put Libby in play as a secret provider of information to reporters about prewar intelligence on Iraq.

loose cannon from CalTech MIT students steal, transport CalTech Civil War cannon BOSTON Students and passers-by saw something a little strange in front of the Green Building on MIT's campus yesterday: a Civil

It was liberated from the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena as part of an MIT prank

pus Preview Weekend, inciting a

The cannon, which CalTech orig-inally stole from a prep school in California, was then snatched away in a prank by Harvey Mudd

War cannon.

friendly rivalry.



STUDENTS AND PASSERS-BY EXAMINE the Civil War cannon that was "liberated" from CalTech as part of an MIT prank. It sits in front of the Green Building on the MIT campus. On the cannon is Lael Odhner, left, a graduate student, and Josiah Romarin, a senior.



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