

# WE MIGHT YET CRACK MZM

I've long suspected that MZM is the latter-day incarnation of COINTELPRO, though it had the added advantage that it also made a profit for George Bush's cronies. Via the Daily Muck, it looks like we might make some progress on MZM.

A former official at the Albemarle County-based National Ground Intelligence Center pleaded guilty in federal court Tuesday to a conflict of interest charge.

Robert Fromm, a 60-year-old Earlysville resident, was charged in a corruption investigation centered on now-defunct defense contracting firm MZM Inc.

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The conflict of interest charge arises from allegations that he worked on MZM's behalf to influence U.S. Army and Department of Defense officials regarding the program he previously managed at NGIC.

Fromm's defense attorneys previously said their client did not intentionally break the law. As part of his plea agreement, Fromm will also cooperate with a larger federal investigation.

Fromm's sentencing is January 2008, which suggests he has 3 months to prove he's a nice guy. Perhaps we'll learn a little more about MZM in the meantime?