

THE CROTCH-BOMBER AND NIDAL HASAN REVIEWS

The White House has released its summary of the intelligence review on the Christmas Crotch Bomber (and here is Obama's order for corrective action). The big take-away is:

The US Government had sufficient information prior to the attempted December 25 attack to have potentially disrupted the AGAP attack.

But, the summary says, the Watch List system and the Intelligence Community are not broken; they just need to be improved.

All well and good.

But I'm curious by the quick turnaround on this report and the lack of any similar unclassified summary of the report on Nidal Hasan's successful attack. For that matter, William Webster is still working on his review of the Hasan attack (which I understand to be a follow-up to just this kind of initial review).

Does that mean whatever the review found, preliminarily, could not be published? Meanwhile, the military has just appointed a "sanity board" to review Hasan's competence to stand trial.