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A major BBC Scotland investigation has discovered the truth behind the stories about covert "sleeper cells" operating in Scotland that have been circulating in the media.

Contrary to existing rumours, we can expose the truth that both sides of the independence campaign have been establishing covert operations within the opposition camps since the 1970s. Specialist Unionist and Independista recruiters within the academic staff at Scottish Universities have been assiduously training students to enter the opposing political parties and work themselves to key positions, from which to destroy their host.

Karla was not just an invention of John le Carré. There have been multiple sinister figures operating within our universities for at least 40 years, in preparation for the current decision looming up for Scotland. Consequently, it is remarkably difficult to identify which person on

either campaign is working for the other side.

Exclusively, I have access to the one source that has definitive information on this murky underworld - the Federal Security Service of the Russian Federation via their London representative, Ivan Offybigwanski (known to us girls as Bunny Wabbit). In a dangerous mission, I engaged with Ivan and, as to confidentiality, offered my honour. He honoured my offer and all night long it was (well, you all know how that goes).

In between times, Bunny revealed the extent of the problem. "The wheels came off our recruiting operation in Scottish Universities in the 1970s", he noted. "Up until then, we were the only spy recruiting agency, but suddenly MI5 and their Scottish counterparts were outbidding us all the time. Naturally, we monitored which students were being recruited at which universities. I have those records, and I'll show you mine, if you show me yours. The really difficult bit is deciding which sleepers have 'gone native' and are actually working positively for their adopted side. Handling double agents is always hard. Talking of which ..."

After dealing with the issue at hand, Bunny fed me juicy tidbits. "Most people reckon that Alastair Darling and Michael Moore are key agents for the independistas", he said, "because of the way they are destroying the No campaign from within. But it's not true. In fact, they were deliberately infected by the 'negativity virus' that we developed and sold to John Swinney. Victims think minuses are pluses - which explains a lot.

"The sleeper agents within the British establishment work much more subtly. The sleeper team within the UK Treasury that produced the '£1 cost of leaving' was typically high quality disruption, but the work of Professor Alan Crawford was brilliant. Putting 'extinguished' into the legal opinion, then totally contradicting the UK scare story, impressed all the intelligence community. He was recruited at Adelaide University, working on his Scottish ancestry. The Scottish diaspora is a powerful weapon.



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