

Coroner urged to wind up Diana inquest

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LONDON -- The coroner hearing the inquest into the death of British Princess Diana has been urged to conclude his inquiry after secret service agents are called. Senior peers and members of Parliament asked Lord Justice Scott Baker to reconsider his decision to summon 10 members of the British MI6 intelligence service, to give evidence, The Times of London reported. George Foulkes, a member of the Intelligence and Security Committee, called the move "a total waste of time and money" and accused Mohamed al-Fayed, whose son died in the 1997 car crash with Diana, of turning proceedings into "a circus." Fayed contends his son was killed in a conspiracy, followed by a vast coverup. Richard Dearlove, the former MI6 chief, told the inquest Wednesday that Fayed's claims that his agency had plotted the car crash was "utterly ridiculous." The unprecedented appearance of so many MI6 officers at a legal hearing is due to take place next week.

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