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ART BASEL MIAMI BEACH

ART & ALI

\$3,000 BOOK, TO BE LAUNCHED SATURDAY, IS THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE TO 'GREATEST OF ALL TIME'

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You wouldn't call it just a book any more than you would call Muhammad Ali just a boxer. A larger-than-life subject requires a larger-than-life biography. And so, introducing, in this corner, weighing 75 pounds, filling 800 pages and costing \$3,000, the heavy-weight of tomes, GOAT (Greatest of All Time).

The brainchild of German publisher Benedikt Taschen, GOAT will make its U.S. debut at Art Basel on Saturday night when the champ himself and members of his famous entourage will be in attendance at a private gathering inside the Miami Beach Convention Center. Taschen is planning to recreate a semblance of the scene when Cassius Clay took the title from Sonny Liston on Feb. 25, 1964, complete with a boxing ring and a master of ceremonies — in this case, actor Will Smith, who portrayed Ali in a feature film.

Guests can get a look at the 20-inch-by-20-inch collector's item and order it — if they can afford it. Only 10,000 copies, all signed by Ali and American artist Jeff Koons, are being printed. The first 1,000, which include a sculpture by Koons and four photographs by How-

• TURN TO ALI, 15A



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WHY THE LONG FACE?

Art lover Kira Elvey of Miami admires *Stretch #2*, the work of artist Evan Penny, during Art Basel's opening party at the Miami Beach Convention Center on Wednesday. Penny used silicon, fabric and hair in the work inspired by computer manipulations of photographs. Art Basel runs today through Sunday. Preview guests got the buying started, 14A. Event information, 15A

COCONUT GROVE

'Grinch' steals kids' special day

■ Miami police want to talk with the controversial promoter of a Coconut Grove Christmas show, who took thousands of dollars from schoolchildren and apparently disappeared.

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Busloads of excited young schoolchildren who paid for a field trip to "Christmas From Around the World" arrived Wednesday morning to find the Coconut Grove Expo Center shuttered and the show's promoter missing — along with their money.

Thousands of students from Miami-Dade parochial, private and public elementary schools had paid \$10 each, expecting to attend the show



NURI VALLBONA/HERALD STAFF

DISAPPOINTMENT: Yamile Rodriguez explains to her daughter, Daniella, 7, a student at Mater Academy, that the Christmas show planned for her and hundreds of other children Wednesday would not take place.

and take part in a big scavenger hunt.

Instead, the youngsters — some in tears — were stuck inside yellow buses and confused parents milled around outside as Miami police and expo center officials delivered the bad news: There was no show, and they may have been scammed.

"The Grinch raised his ugly head today," said Mary Ross Agosta, spokeswoman for the Archdiocese of Miami, which sent students from seven Roman Catholic schools to see how Christmas was celebrated around the world.

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POWER OF PERSUASION: INNOVATOR PUSHES UNDERSEA ENERGY SOURCE

■ Two years ago, Herb Williams was told his idea to use underwater turbines to generate electricity wasn't viable. Now FPL and the Navy are interested.

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Herb Williams, a Palatka dock builder and former Alaskan crab boat skipper, isn't the first guy you would peg for solving the world's energy problems.

But here he sat, tropical shirt standing out at a table of button-down engineers from Miami-Dade's water and sewer plant on Virginia Key, making a plan that sounds like science fiction seem plausible. Almost inevitable.

Williams' small company wants to sink a network of innovative turbines he has designed — think of a giant fan with a hole in the center where the hub should be — deep into the Gulf Stream off

the coast of South Florida.

If it works — still a big question — the machines would convert the relentless flow of that undersea river into a more valuable kind of current.

Electricity. Enough power, Williams predicts, from one turbine to keep much of the sewage plant churning or 1,000 homes humming. Enough juice from about

• TURN TO ENERGY, 2A

WAR ON TERROR

Camp detainee will get attorney

■ A Marine Corps lawyer will represent Australian David Hicks, held as an 'enemy combatant' at Guantánamo Bay. It's the first time legal representation has been approved for a prisoner there.

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For the first time in the war on terror, the Pentagon agreed Wednesday to let an attorney represent a prisoner at the U.S. detention camp at Guantánamo Bay, Cuba — the Bush administration's second legal concession to an "enemy combatant" in as many days.

Marine Corps Maj. Michael Mori will represent David Hicks, the Defense Department said in a brief statement.

Hicks, 28, is an Australian who was captured about two years ago in Afghanistan and was among the first captives to be transferred to Cuba in the early days of Camp X-Ray.

He also has been on a hunger strike for months at Guantánamo, and is a cause célèbre in some Australian circles, which argue that America should try him or let him go.

Pentagon officials have repeatedly said that any of six prisoners with preliminary clearances to go before military tribunals would be given U.S. military defense counsel, if they indeed go to trial.

But Wednesday's announcement stopped short of saying that Hicks would

• TURN TO LAWYER, 11A

ARGENTINA

Transcript: U.S. OK'd 'dirty war'

■ New evidence suggests that Henry Kissinger gave the Argentine military 'a green light' in its 1970s-80s campaign against leftists.

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BUENOS AIRES — At the height of the Argentine military junta's bloody "dirty war" against leftists in the 1970s, then-Secretary of State Henry Kissinger told the Argentine foreign minister that "we would like you to succeed," a newly declassified U.S. document reveals.

The transcript of the meeting between Kissinger and Navy Adm. César Augusto Guzzetti in New York on Oct. 7, 1976, is the first documentary evidence that the Gerald Ford administration approved of the junta's harsh tactics, which led to the deaths or "disappearance" of some 30,000 people from 1975 to 1983.

The document is also certain to further complicate Kissinger's legacy,

• TURN TO DOCUMENT, 12A



BOB SELF/JACKSONVILLE TIMES-UNION

FANNING INTEREST: Herb Williams of Florida Hydro stands inside a blade for his turbine prototype, upper right.

ARGENTINA

Transcript: U.S. approved 'dirty war'

• DOCUMENT, FROM 1A

which has been questioned in recent years as new evidence has emerged on his connection to human-rights violations around the world — including in Chile, Indonesia and Bangladesh.

deputies have repeatedly denied condoning human-rights abuses in Argentina.

DIPLOMATIC CABLES

Among the 4,667 U.S. documents declassified by the State Department last year were diplomatic cables showing that the Argentine mili-

tary believed it had Kissinger's approval. The information was requested by the families of the junta's victims and human-rights groups.

A transcript of the 1976 Kissinger-Guzzetti meeting was declassified recently under a Freedom of Information Request by the National

Security Archive, a nonprofit research organization based in Washington. The document was made available to The Herald on Wednesday and will be presented at a conference on U.S.-Argentine relations during the dirty war today in Buenos Aires.

"Look, our basic attitude is

that we would like you to succeed," Kissinger reassured Guzzetti in the seven-page transcript, marked SECRET. "I have an old-fashioned view that friends ought to be supported. What is not understood in the United States is that you have a civil war. We read about human rights

problems but not the context. The quicker you succeed, the better."

'DEFINITIVE EVIDENCE'

"This is final, definitive evidence that Kissinger gave a green light to Argentine generals," said Carlos Osorio, director of the Argentina Documentation Project at the National Security Archive.

The Argentine military began its war against leftist guerrillas and suspected sympathizers in 1975, before taking power in a coup the following year. By the time of the conversation between Kissinger and Guzzetti, the machinery of murder and disappearances had received worldwide condemnation and the U.S. Congress was considering economic sanctions.

Guzzetti assured Kissinger that the "struggle" against "terrorist organizations" would be finished by the end of 1976. But a 1983 report by an Argentine truth commission showed that the killings accelerated in late 1976 and continued for two more years.

"This document is a devastating indictment of Kissinger's policy toward Latin America," said John Dinges, an assistant professor at Columbia Journalism School and author of *The Condor Years*, a book on military dictatorships in the Southern Cone due out in February. "Kissinger actually encourages human-rights violations in full consciousness of what was going on."

A VINDICATION

The transcript also vindicates the then-U.S. ambassador to Argentina, Robert Hill, who in late 1976 began pressing the Argentine military on human-rights issues but was told by Argentine officials that Washington was supporting them.

"Guzzetti went to the U.S. fully expecting to hear some strong, firm, direct warnings on his government's human rights practices," Hill wrote in a cable. "Rather than that, he has returned in a state of jubilation."

"All along they denied this," Dinges said. "Now, finally, we have Kissinger's actual words giving the green light."

EXCERPTS

Here are excerpts from the transcript of a secret conversation between Henry Kissinger and Argentine Foreign Minister César Augusto Guzzetti in New York on Oct. 7, 1976. Also at the meeting was Under Secretary of State Philip Habib, Assistant Secretary of State Harry W. Shlaudeman and the Argentine ambassadors to the United States and United Nations.

Guzzetti: I want to talk about events in Argentina during the last four months. Our struggle has had very good results in the last four months. The terrorist organizations have been dismantled. If this direction continues, by the end of the year the danger will have been set aside.

[...]

Kissinger: Look, our basic attitude is that we would like you to succeed. I have an old-fashioned view that friends ought to be supported. What is not understood in the United States is that you have a civil war. We read about human rights problems but not the context. The quicker you succeed, the better. The human rights problem is a growing one. Your ambassador can apprise you. We want a stable situation. We won't cause you unnecessary difficulties. If you can finish before Congress gets back, the better. Whatever freedoms you could restore would help.

SOURCE: National Security Archive

MORE ONLINE

To read the full transcript of the conversation involving Henry Kissinger, go online to www.herald.com/news and click on Americas.

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