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A startling charge from a senior administration official that we need to handle with some caution. Since this was deep background, the person shouldn't be quoted but the information can be used. In other words, don't say, "a senior admin official says..." Just use this for your edification.

The senior administration official warns that we shouldn't get too far ahead of ourselves on Wilson. The official says that Wilson was not sent by the

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director
of the CIA or by Dick Cheney and when it comes out who sent him, it will be
embarrassing. When I pressed the official, he said it was somebody at the
agency involved in WMD, Wilson's wife. This guy was not an emissary, the
source
claimed. His report is nowhere near the truth, the official added; in fact
it
may be totally wrong. The Iraqis, this person said, were probably were
seeking
Niger uranium. He said documents will be declassified in the next few days
and
people will see a different side to Wilson. Again, since this was deep
background, the person shouldn't be quoted but the information can be used.

