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## Saudi scapegoats general for assassination of #Khashoggi:

## By royal decree, Ahmed Assiri has been removed from his post as a deputy intelligence chief.

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This is insane.

The Saudis brought a BONE SAW with them.

https://t.co/CtrnLR5lCB

> Saudi attorney general says Khashoggi died after a fight broke out between him and people who met him at the consulate. 18 suspects held in connection with the case
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> — Ahmed Al Omran (@ahmed) October 19, 2018

“He got in a fight with 18 of our guys and accidentally died so then we totes had to cut up his body so we could transport his remains more easily.”

(KSA has not addressed the whereabouts of #Khashoggi in revealing the results of its “investigation.”)
https://t.co/r83J64P1Ln

> BREAKING: Saudi Arabia state media confirms death of missing journalist Jamal Khashoggi in Saudi consulate in Istanbul, 18 Saudi citizens being investigated pic.twitter.com/9s1gjymbS7
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> — NBC News (@NBCNews) October 19, 2018

Crown Prince MbS is using this to consolidate power.

(There were hopeful rumors the King would rein him in.)

This feels very Kushner-like, tbh.

https://t.co/GSVcIEKHNU

> King Salman orders formation of a ministerial committee headed by Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman to restructure the general intelligence agency, according to @spagov. https://t.co/4oG68QRNO7
>
> — Steve Herman (@W7VOA) October 19, 2018

This thread is really what they're going with. All in.

I anticipate the WH will accept this version that offers (barely) plausible deniability to MbS and celebrates his and the Kingdom's "transparency" and "swift action," or something to that effect.

https://t.co/WRJdCUbscz

> The removal of two top officials, a cabinet ranking, very powerful and close advisor of MBS and the Deputy Head of Foreign intelligence + 4 other Generals in foreign intelligence (virtually its whole top leadership) cannot be written off as a cover up. This is unprecedented.
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> — Ali Shihabi (@aliShihabi) October 19, 2018