What lies beneath ...

What i’m trying to do here, Jeremy, is understand you.

- How did a lager lout teenager who twice fell short on his A-levels, ascend to the pinnacle of power in academia?

We've looked at your schooling, Vietnam, but not your parents - the *itinerant childhood*.

As you say: *Inevitably it has a big influence, I think, on the way you see things and your approach to the world.*

In turn, *your approach to the world* has had a big influence *on* the world - so let’s reverse engineer that.

Born in Singapore,1961, the usual media intro is: *His father was an English teacher .. who moved his family often. The family lived in Yemen, Egypt, Cyprus, New Zealand (6-months - hated it), and Libya, **among other countries**. Farrar, the youngest of six, came along after Yemen and Egypt.* (my brackets)

At the NIH lecture, you list the countries of your childhood as: *Singapore, Malaysia, Aden in Yemen, Cyprus, New Zealand, and Libya (7 years).*

That’s since you were born. The last of six children. It's an interesting array of countries - for an English teacher.

I’ve gotta ask the obvious question:

Was Dad a spy?

There are other explanations, which we’ll explore, but it'd make sense if he was - your affiliation with the world of *underlying forces* from a formative age - your obsession with global politics ...

Next question would be:

Are you a spy?

The question after that would be:

Does Wellcome function as a spy organization?

Last question:

Which side are you on exactly? Totalitarianism or Freedom?

Final Last question:

What even is the politics of your average spy organization?

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