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011	Email	hey this is matt mezzacappa - To: Michele H. Tennery - From: Matt Mezzacappa	1	12/03/2001	P6/b6;
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B.J. Goergen

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OBJECTIVE

To obtain a challenging position in The White House Office of Homeland Security utilizing my communication, organizational, research and strong writing skills.

EXPERIENCE

The White House

Office of Faith-Based & Community Initiatives (OFBCI)

Public Affairs Intern

Washington, D.C.

Aug. 2001 – present

- Researched, circulated and archived media on the OFBCI and the President's faith-based initiative
- Assisted in planning of special events with the President and community leaders
- Edited OFBCI's first official report: "UNLEVEL PLAYING FIELD: Barriers to Participation by Faith-Based and Community Organizations in Federal Social Service Programs"

Students for Bush-Cheney 2000

Texas Director

Austin, TX

June 2000 – Nov. 2000

- Organized student-led campaign trips into Arkansas and Louisiana
- Generated media coverage in Texarkana, Shreveport, Waco and Houston through political events
- Registered thousands of Texas students to vote

Fleishman-Hillard, Inc.

Consumer Marketing Intern

St. Louis, MO

Jan. 2000 – Aug. 2000

- Coordinated public relations plan for McDonald's *Community Outreach Program*
- Pitched stories to local and national media
- Wrote and edited news releases, backgrounders and media advisories
- Organized multiple press conferences
- Designed promotional brochure for the *St. Louis Intern Program*

The Leadership Institute

Development Intern

Arlington, VA

June 1999 – Aug. 1999

- Created and managed donor databases
- Promoted monthly breakfast club meetings through direct mail
- Supervised team of interns who solicited previous donors for new contributions

SKILLS AND ACTIVITIES

Computer skills: Proficient in Microsoft Word, Windows, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, QuarkXpress, Adobe PageMaker and Lotus Notes

Activities: Society of Professional Journalists, Public Relations Student Society of America, Habitat for Humanity, Waco READS and D.C. Road Runners

EDUCATION

Baylor University

Bachelor of Arts in journalism/public relations
Concentration in theater arts

Waco, TX

December 2001

Francis M. Bitterman

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EDUCATION

University of Dallas, Irving, TX
Bachelor of Arts in Politics
Cumulative GPA 3.0 Major 3.0

May 2001

Georgetown University, Washington, DC
The Fund For American Studies
Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems
Hunter Hunt Scholarship Award Winner

Summer 2000

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

White House Volunteer, Washington D.C.

August 2001-Present

- Volunteer for the Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives.
- Assist the Director and Deputy Directors on special projects and assignments.
- Draft letters of correspondence for the Director.
- Maintain an efficient and organized system of responding to constituent correspondence by utilizing the Internet Quorum Database.
- Communicate information to callers and visitors in a friendly and professional manner.

Congressional Intern, Washington, D.C.

Summer 2000

- Interned for Rep. Dick Arney, Majority Leader, U.S. House of Representatives.
- Attended committee hearings, researched public policy issues, and analyzed the financial reports of numerous government agencies.
- Responded to constituent comments and suggestions via the phone in objective and diplomatic yet persuasive ways.
- Organized official documents and correspondences by condensing them into appropriate public and foreign policy categories such as Health Care, Defense, Education, etc.

Substitute Teacher, Montgomery County Public Schools,

August 2001-Present

- Implement the lesson plan of the classroom teacher while he or she is absent.
- Provide the services and environment necessary for intellectual and social development.
- Instruct students how to effectively communicate the knowledge they possess.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Student Government President, University of Dallas,

Spring 2000-May 2001

- Chief liaison between the student body and the administration.
- Collaborated with the Treasurer to manage the \$70,000 Student Government Budget.
- Conveyed positive message to the students and administration via personal presentations and a weekly newspaper column.
- Created and implemented promotional campaigns by utilizing posters, flyers, and media coverage.
- Promoted teamwork and leadership among the Senators and the Executive Council.

Co-Chair of the Grotto Fund Project, University of Dallas,

Spring 2001

- Initiated the \$75,000 fundraising campaign to build a permanent Grotto for a statue of Mary.
- Evaluated information and presented analyses via public presentations and written reports to members of the administration and student body.
- Recommended possible long-range and short-range strategies for raising the necessary funds.



Frank Devlyn <Devlynf@rotaryintl.org>
10/05/2001 07:47:45 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Michele H. Tennery/WHO/EOP@EOP
cc: Glen Kinross At CompuServe <102262.1651@compuserve.com>
Subject: RE: PRESIDENT BEGINS HOME TO THE HEARTLAND TOUR BY BUILDING A HOME

Dear Michele:

I have recommended a partnership or alliance of Rotary at the Club, District, & possibly Intl. level to the person who is the primary mover & shaker in Rotary who is former president Glen Kinross when it comes to low cost homes for the needy. You should fill him in on the details of how Habitat could work with Rotary to help the developing countries of the world.

Thanks,

Frank Devlyn

Past Pres. of R.I. 2000/2001

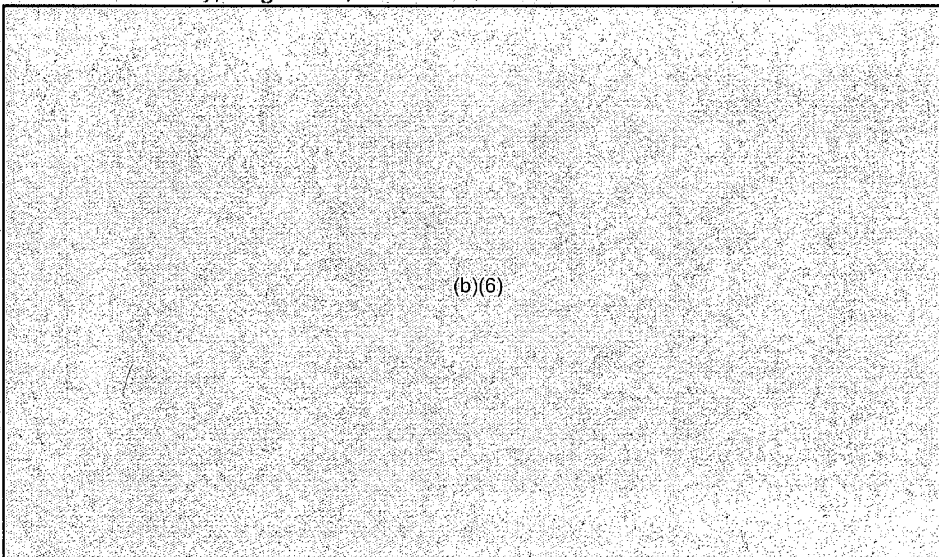
P.S. More information on Rotary can be found at www.rotary.org

-----Original Message-----

From: Michele_H_Tennery@who.eop.gov

[mailto:Michele_H_Tennery@who.eop.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 08, 2001 2:11 PM



Subject: PRESIDENT BEGINS HOME TO THE HEARTLAND TOUR BY BUILDING A HOME

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT ON THE ECONOMY

The Rose Garden

THE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon. I just concluded a meeting with my economic policy team. Secretary O'Neill has been up on the Hill talking to members of Congress and brought back some encouraging news. And that is, the United States Congress is interested in working as quickly as possible to pass an economic stimulus package.

I want to remind the American people that the Congress has been working with us to provide relief. We passed monies for disaster relief, monies to help the people in New York. We passed appropriations to help beef up our security. We passed appropriations to help airlines. Yesterday, I proposed additional expenditures to help workers who have been laid off as a result of the September 11th tragedy. That spending totals about \$60 billion.

And in order to stimulate the economy, Congress doesn't need to spend any more money -- what they need to do is to cut taxes. So I propose this: I propose that the United States Congress, as quickly as possible, pass tax relief equal to or a little bit greater than the monies that we have already appropriated.

Tax relief should come in this kind of form. One, that we ought to stimulate demand by cutting -- accelerating the marginal tax cuts that we've passed and I've signed. As well as, there ought to be a provision in the tax relief package to make sure that low- and moderate-income workers get tax relief, as well.

And on the business side, we need to stimulate investment by allowing for enhanced expensing of capital expenditures, and we believe they ought to eliminate alternative minimum tax on corporate America.

This is a package which will dovetail nicely with the marginal cuts and the increased child credit that will kick in next year as well. The American people expect us to act, and here is a way for us to act. We've spent money, and that will have a stimulative effect of some kind.

But to make sure that the economy gets the boost it needs, Congress ought to come together quickly and accept the ideas that I've just laid out. We believe that will be the best way to make sure that America recovers from the terrorist attack of September the 11th.

The terrorists attacked us, but they did not diminish our spirit, nor did they undermine the fundamentals of our economy. And we believe if we act expeditiously, that those fundamentals will kick back in and people will be able to find work again.

I hope you all have a fine weekend. Thank you all very much.

END

2:38 P.M. EDT

NATIONAL CONGRESS OF VIETNAMESE IN AMERICA

Office of California Congressman Dan Yen
P.O. Box 5105
San Diego, CA. 92165
U.S.A.

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Mr. John. DiIulio -

4-16-2001

The Assistant to the President for FBCI
The White House
Washington D.C.

Subject: The Establishment of Buddhist Charities USA .

Dear Sir :

I have been asked by more than 100 Vietnamese Buddhist Leaders in America to contact your Office , for the possible establishment of Buddhist Charities USA (BCUSA).

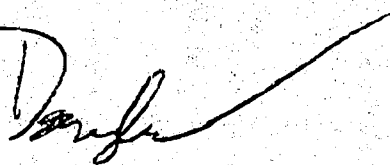
BCUSA is going to be initiated by mostly Vietnamese Americans as an effort to pay back to the Society the debt given to us 26 years ago , when Catholic Charities USA and other Faith Based Charities opened their arms to welcome Vietnamese Refugees.

Please rush to me all the needed instructions that we need to follow , in order to obtain the Federal supports , to follow the giant step of Catholic Charities USA , to a) Reduce Poverty b)Support Families and c) Empower communities in the USA wherever Vietnamese Americans can build a Buddhist Temple .

We also are interested in visiting your Washington Office ,at your convenience in the near future just before we create our first National Office of BCUSA in California .

Respectfully .

Dan Yen
NCVA California Congressman



VIET NAM VETERANS ADMINISTRATION*Help. Healing. Hope*

California Non-Profit Organization
P.O. Box 706
Fairfield, CA 94533
U.S.A.

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January 31, 2001

The Honorable George W. Bush
President of the United States
The White House
Washington D.C. 20500

Attn: Karen Hughes

Subject: Vietnamese Buddhists volunteer to back up your "Faith based" Social Services.

My Dear President Bush :

Twenty six years ago, 250,000 Vietnamese Refugees was evacuated from Guam Island, and re-settled in 50 states with the assistance of many "Faith based" social services. 12 years ago, Vietnamese welcomed the 10,000 points of light program initiated by President George Bush, but had to wait 8 years until now to see you citing the power of religion to "Save and Change Lives ". We just cannot wait to start a US VIETNAMESE BUDDHIST CHARITIES , (USVBC) to pay back our debts to America .

More than one Million Vietnamese-American voters , 80% of us are buddhists , and registered Republicans are so hungry for your Leadership to serve the Vietnamese Americans communities where hundreds of Buddhist Temples are found . 70 Generals and Admirals, 10,000 officers well trained by the U.S. are ready to help cure the social ills , when the younger generation is busy making the living , paying taxes, and help building this wonderful country led by you . The first generation of US trained Vietnamese senior citizens instructed me to communicate with you to volunteer my service to set up USVBC , a copy of USCC (US Catholic Charities).

We have the Leadership and Man Power , but no seed money, no guidance from National level. With the newly established White House Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives , we now can have your LEADERSHIP . We have formed a committee , consisting of :

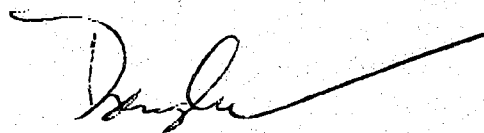
- General Nguyen Khanh , former Chief of State of Viet Nam , Former Viet Nam Prime Minister
- The Ven. Thich Giac Luong , former VP , National Congress of Vietnamese in America .
- The Ven. Thich Hang Hien , MA. Van Hanh Buddhist Temple , San Diego , CA.
- Mrs. Nguyen Tho Ninh , President and CEO , San Diego Buddhists Association.
- Colonel Dan Yen , President Sons of Viet Nam Foundation , concurrently National Coordinator VNVA , as the organizer.

We wish to come to the White House to reinforce your strategy , to counter the attacks by civil libertarians and some religious leaders, who warned that your initiative threatened the division between church and state . Our USVBC performance will be recorded in time of your second term inauguration,proving your right strategy.

Please advise us of your approval , and of the date and time of your convenience to meet you at the White House .

May God Bless You . May God Bless America .

Respectfully ,



Colonel Dan Yen (Ret)
National Coordinator
Viet Nam Veterans Administration .

WINDSOR VILLAGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Prayer Petitions for the Terrorists' Attacks Against America and The Operation of Enduring Freedom War

- 1. Prayer Petition: Families and friends of victims**
Objective: receive peace of mind, acceptance and healing.
Scripture: Isaiah 26:1-4; I Peter 5:5-11
- 2. Prayer Petition: Survivors of the tragedy**
Objective: overcome post-traumatic stress disorder and regain emotional equilibrium.
Scripture: Isaiah 40:27-31; Romans 8:31-39
- 3. Prayer Petition: Stable economy and stock market**
Objective: rebound, and experience no psychological fear and become more buoyant.
Scripture: Psalm 1:1-6; Psalm 37:23-29; I John 4:17-19
- 4. Prayer Petition: President Bush and his Administration**
Objective: hear and implement God's primary will in response to this tragedy.
Scripture: Psalm 27:1-14; Psalm 37:1-29; Joshua 1:5-9
- 5. Prayer Petition: Media**
Objective: destroy the spirit of sensationalism and offer objective reporting with clarity.
Scripture: Proverbs 12:17-22; Proverbs 16:16-20
- 6. Prayer Petition: The Pataki and Giuliani Administrations**
Objective: provide the survivors' families and residents with the appropriate civic and social infrastructure.
Scripture: Proverbs 21:1-8; II Corinthians 9:8-15
- 7. Prayer Petition: Pentagon employees and employees of companies located in lower Manhattan**
Objective: process the tragedy, deal with the trauma and go forward.
Scripture: Psalm 147:1-10; Isaiah 43:1-5
- 8. Prayer Petition: Terrorists**
Objective: cease from evil.
Scripture: II Corinthians 10:3-5; Isaiah 1:16-17
- 9. Prayer Petition: Emergency rescue workers, fire department workers, and police department workers**
Objective: have the emotional stamina and physical strength to perform their tasks.
Scripture: Psalm 27:6-14; Psalm 121
- 10. Prayer Petition: Companies and business sectors adversely impacted by the tragedy**
Objective: receive the appropriate financial assistance and manage the assets awesomely.
Scripture: Psalm 46:1-7; Psalm 147:1-11

11. **Prayer Petition: The City of Houston and surrounding area**
Objective: experience safety, security, and surety.
Scripture: Psalm 146:1-10; Isaiah 32:16-20
12. **Prayer Petition: Military persons who are going to war**
Objective: be effective, efficient, and safe.
Scripture: Deuteronomy 20:1-4, Isaiah 26:12-15
13. **Prayer Petition: Innocent American Arabs and Muslims**
Objective: receive fair and just treatment in the American social order.
Scripture: Amos 5:21-24; John 13:34-36
14. **Prayer Petition: Persons injured during the attacks**
Objective: experience healing, recovery, and restoration.
Scripture: III John 2; Psalm 103:1-5; Mark 11:23-24
15. **Prayer Petition: #1 through #14**
Objective: Repentance for the nation.
Scripture: II Timothy 3:1-7; II Peter 3:9; Joel 2:12-13; Amos 5:14-15; II Chronicles 7:14-16
16. **Prayer Petition: #1 through #14**
Objective: Salvation for all!
Scripture: John 3:16-17; Luke 19:9; Romans 10:10

Rachael L. Sunbarger

10/12/2001 11:35 AM

Record Type: Record

To:

cc:

Subject: EVENT BACKGROUNDER: CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

**THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary**

**EVENT BACKGROUNDER
Celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month
East Room, 2:00 pm
OPEN PRESS**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

The President and Mrs. Bush are introduced into the East Room and are seated into the front row
Jaci Vasquez, sings the National Anthem
Gloria Estefan introduces Dr. Palau
Dr. Palau gives an invocation
Gloria Estefan introduces Arturo Sandoval, Trumpet player
Arturo Sandoval performs, "America the Beautiful"
Gloria Estefan invites performers on stage
Don Francisco, Host of Sabado Gigante, delivers brief remarks and introduces Al Gonzales, Assistant to the President and White House Counsel
Judge Al Gonzales delivers brief remarks and introduces the President
The President delivers brief remarks (approx. 2:30 pm) before signing an Executive Order on Excellence in Hispanic Education

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This event caps National Hispanic Heritage Month that runs from September 15 – October 14. Earlier, the President signed a proclamation celebrating the Hispanic cultures, achievements, and heritage by commemorating the following historical events:

September 15 –	Independence Day for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua
September 16 –	Independence Day for Mexico
October 12 –	El Dia de la Raza

The observance was started in 1968 as National Hispanic Heritage Week but was expanded in 1988 to include the entire 31-day period.

Latino Artists

Attending the event is music producer Emilio Estefan, Jr., who assembled more than 70 Latino recording artists, a full orchestra and a children's choir, to record a benefit song "El Último Adiós" (English version "The Last Good Bye") for those who died on September 11. Seven cities from around the globe participated in this historic recording session of the Latin music industry: Miami, New York, Los Angeles, Corpus Christi, San Juan, Mexico City, and Madrid. With the help of modern technology, they all sang in unity with all proceeds going to benefit the victims of the Pentagon and the World Trade Center. Approximately 25 artists who performed on the benefit album will attend the event and perform the song.

Pledge Across America

U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige has contacted more than 100,000 public and private elementary and secondary school principals around the country to encourage their students to participate in a simultaneous Pledge of Allegiance nationwide.

The synchronized Pledge of Allegiance will begin at 2 p.m. EDT, 1 p.m. CDT, Noon, MDT, 11 a.m. PDT, 10 a.m. in Alaska, and 8 a.m. in Hawaii.

Executive Order

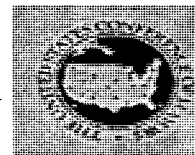
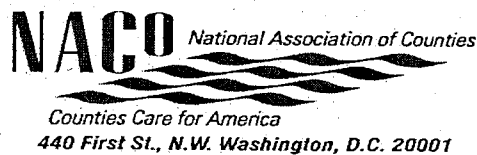
Today, the President will sign an executive order for the purpose of increasing academic performance of Hispanic American students and closing the achievement gap between them and their peers.

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FYI

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF MAYORS
1620 EYE STREET, NORTHWEST • WASHINGTON, D.C. 20006 • (202) 293-7330

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September 27, 2001

Mr. John J. DiIulio, Jr.
Director
White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives
Old Executive Office Building, Room 115
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Mr. DiIulio:

On behalf of the nation's state and local elected officials, we thank you for meeting with us on July 20 to hear our concerns regarding H.R. 7 and some of the issues we anticipate may arise with other faith-based legislation that may be introduced in the U.S. Senate. We also want to thank you for your willingness to make the charitable choice language in H.R. 7 optional rather than mandatory for states and local governments.

At your request, we have outlined below our concerns with H.R. 7, and we hope that you will give full consideration to these state and local government concerns and work with us to resolve them.

As you know, state and local governments have a long and rich history of working with faith-based organizations that predates the enactment of the charitable choice provision contained in the Welfare-To-Work Act of 1996. State and local governments are especially proud of the fact that faith-based groups deliver services to our constituents while respecting the boundaries of our Constitution. While we acknowledge the improvement made to the House bill as it relates to language limiting civil action to injunctive relief - a step that we hope will curb the threat of frivolous lawsuits - additional concerns remain.

1) **Preemption** – State and local governments want explicit language requiring the faith-based organization applying for a grant to comply with all state and local laws to the same extent that a non-religious applicant must comply. Thus, no bill should contain a preemption provision. We are encouraged by reports that indicate both Senators Joseph Lieberman (D-CT) and Rick Santorum (R-PA) will not include any provisions that allow faith-based groups to circumvent state and local anti-discrimination laws. However, non-preemption

language is lacking in H.R. 7, both with respect to state tort laws and when compared with the language in The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA). Language should be added to the text of the bill that expressly states this bill does not intend to preempt state tort laws or PRWORA.

2) **Mandates** – The House bill states clearly that state and local governments “*shall consider*” the religious groups on the same basis as nongovernmental groups and cannot discriminate against the “religious character” of an applicant. This language goes beyond the permissible language articulated in TANF’s Charitable Choice section, which states that the state may “consider the religious group on the same basis as nongovernmental groups.” State and local governments should have discretion to dispense federal funds to faith-based and community-based groups. Among state and local governments concerns are: consideration of a group’s proven track record; the connection of the group to the community; etc.

3) **Litigation** – State and local governments want the suits filed pursuant to a faith-based initiative act limited to “injunctive relief in an appropriate state court.” This is the language found in TANF. Additionally, we want removed any reference that leaves state and local government vulnerable to frivolous lawsuits.

4) **Funding for the Alternative Program** – State and local governments want separate and independent funding for the alternative program. Additionally, we would like language limiting the alternative program to “a secular alternative.” During the House Judiciary’s markup of H.R. 7, Chairman Sensenbrenner explained that the provision requiring an alternative program would provide any objecting individual with a right to sue a state or local government for its failure to deliver services. This unfunded mandate, coupled with the threat of lawsuits, is extremely troubling to state and local government.

5) **Commingling of Funds** – State and local governments want explicit language clarifying that funds, not commingled with the faith-based funds, to be free of the restrictions found in the Act. An example of such language would be: “Any non-commingled funds shall not trigger the requirement contained herein under the Act.”

6) **Vouchers** – State and local governments want stricken the language authorizing the Secretary of an affected agency the authority to determine whether vouchers can be used. Such a device would create an administrative nightmare at both the state and local level, leading to confusion and the failure to deliver services in a timely manner.

Mr. John J. DiIulio, Jr.
September 27, 2001
Page Three

7) **Identification of Affected Programs** – State and local governments want the programs open to participation by faith-based organizations clearly identified by program and agency. We were given a glimpse of some of the HUD programs that are open to faith-based groups as a result of a HUD announcement for comments on obstacles to faith-based organizations (Docket No. FR-4685-N-02). Given the scope of H.R. 7, it would assist state and local government greatly if we were able to further identify all other federally funded programs.

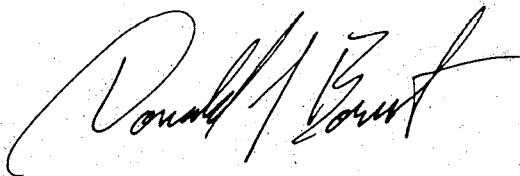
8) **Conformity** – State and local governments want language that requires recipients of grants to conform to federal grant conditions relating to independent audits and performance oversight.

9) **Consultation** – State and local governments want language added to the bill that requires consultation with them, similar to that found in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA).

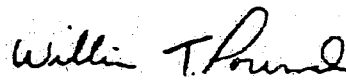
10) **Retroactivity** – Any faith-based bill, introduced in the Senate, should contain a clause prohibiting retroactivity. This would minimize state and local governments' administrative concerns.

Federal faith-based legislation should serve as an incentive for state and local governments to continue their work with faith-based organizations. In this spirit, we look forward to future meetings with you and your staff as we attempt to identify clear language that will maximize the potential for greater cooperation between state and local governments and the faith-based groups providing services in our communities. Thank you.

Sincerely,

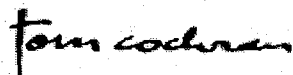


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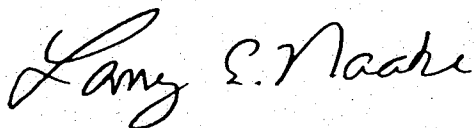
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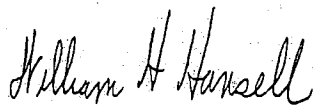


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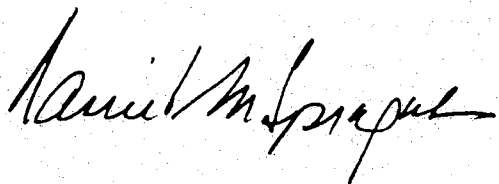
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Jordan, Stephen

From: Jordan, Stephen
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In this Update of the Center for Corporate Citizenship:

- Report on October 31 Briefing on post-September 11 Response and Recovery and Follow Up
- December 6 CCC Awards Finalists Set
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On October 31, the CCC hosted a briefing with Ruben Barrales, White House Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, Mike Brown, FEMA Acting Deputy Director, Michael Farley, American Red Cross Director of Major Gifts, Brian Lachance, United Way of America Chief of Staff, David Eisner, AOL TimeWarner Foundation Senior Vice President, and Bill Bailey, Director of the Insurance Institute's New York Response Center.

Attendees received an overview of government actions to date, including background on the Afghan relief effort, the establishment of the Homeland Security Council and passage of the Patriot Act of 2001, as well as information on the aviation safety and economic stimulus issues.

The FEMA brief included background on how the Federal Response Plan works, and lessons learned from September 11 and previous experiences. Recommendations for business include: disaster mitigation contingencies should be incorporated in strategic business development plans. Businesses should also participate in community disaster planning initiatives, identify key emergency response service providers and key corporate personnel, and develop (and annually review and update) their emergency management plans.

The American Red Cross raised over \$560 million in the aftermath of September 11. There have been 5 major themes that they are addressing: (1) The issue has not been about fundraising, but about managing the outpouring of support. (2) They have had to expand their definition of the services they provide; (3) they have had to develop and ramp up mechanisms for getting funds to the victims; (4) this tragedy has had new dimensions that have to be taken into account, and that are continuing to unfold; (5) they have had to understand that public perceptions of their stewardship of the funds is an important issue.

The United Way also raised over \$340 million; 50% of which came from the all-channel television telethon. As of the 31st, they had made 69 grants; awarded \$34.4 million, and issued 12,000 checks. Services have ranged from providing meals, mental health counselling, job placement, bereavement, language assistance.

The corporate respondents raised a number of interesting points. Takeaways from the briefing include the following:

- (1) Pre-September 11, the charities did not have the organizational capacity to handle the outpouring of support, nor did they have the media capacity to educate the public about the process that they have to go through to organize response and recovery, the services that they provide, or the scope of those services.
- (2) Individuals, groups, and companies have been extremely generous, but because of the expectations gap, there may be a backlash because of a lack of understanding of the process, a lack of transparency in the disbursement of the donations, and a desire to see immediate results. In addition, giving to other charitable causes may be significantly lower this year because of the shift in charitable giving priorities, even though those needs may be constant or even increase.
- (3) While there is ad hoc communication between the three sectors, there currently does not exist a systematic, organized means to share information between government, industry, and charitable service providers -- whether in terms of making sure victims receive benefits, or in terms of division of labor and resources between the organizations, and longer-term recovery planning. This is particularly important for the insurance industry. Better coordination, on a voluntary and cooperative basis, will provide benefits for all concerned.
- (4) Government and relief organizations will benefit by improving communication with corporate and individual donors and

partners about their disaster services, plans, and procedures. Donors also need to develop procedures for segregating grants for normal community service programs from grants for extraordinary needs.

(5) The CCC is in discussion with a number of organizations about follow-up action items as a result of this briefing, and we will provide a status report in the next monthly update.

- **December 6 CCC Awards Finalists Set**

We received two dozen nominees for the two corporate citizenship awards this year. Submissions range from Reading Is Fundamental's nomination of Coca-Cola for their literacy program support to the American Chamber of Commerce in Hungary for establishing a Code of Ethics and their Thanksgiving Charity Drive. Over the next month, the U.S. Chamber will profile 10 of the award nominees on the www.uschamber.com web site, and the winners will be announced at our gala dinner with our partners, the Committee to Encourage Corporate Philanthropy and the Kenan Institute on December 6.

For more information on attending the dinner please call (202) 463-5517 or email nsafertal@uschamber.com.

- **Other Business**

November 9 Secretary of Defense Freedom Awards

The CCC will host the Annual Secretary of Defense Freedom Awards on November 9. The event will honor BAE Systems, Boeing, EDS, and Southwest Airlines for their support for the National Guard and Reserve. The breakfast and award ceremony will be followed by a White House proclamation in the afternoon. For more information contact Jaime Karosa at (202) 463-5517.

Best Practices Collaborative Initiative

The CCC is currently in discussions with the Kimsey Foundation, the Step Foundation, the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) and a number of other organizations about plans to develop a coordinated community and economic development approach for the Congress Heights district of Washington, DC. This is part of an effort to capture best practices and develop a collaborative model between government agencies, companies, and community service organizations, and then take these practices and share them on a national and international level.

One example of this cross-border sharing of best practices already in progress: The American Chamber in Jamaica adopted the Minnesota HEALS program sponsored by Honeywell, General Mills, PERF and Minneapolis community groups, and is working with the Jamaican government, US AID, and other groups to implement a similar program in Kingston, Jamaica.

For more information on the Best Practices initiative please contact Soching Tsai at (202) 463-5372.

Three Sector Summit Plans In Development

We have begun planning to host a second Three Sector (Business - Government - Civil Society) Summit at the end of May 2002. The Three Sector Summit will spotlight processes to promote three sector partnerships, and identify lessons learned from existing programs like the DC Best Practices Collaborative and US AID's Global Development Alliance Initiative.

For more information about these and other CCC activities please contact us at (202) 463-5517 or visit our home page at www.uschamber.com/ccc.

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cc: Stanley W. Carlson-Thies/WHO/EOP@EOP, Michele H. Tennery/WHO/EOP@EOP
Subject: FW: thought you'd want to see

I am very sorry we let the ACLU get the first word out on the audit reports--even if their word wasn't actually about the audit reports!

The ACLU story conveniently did not note where the requests for comments was posted and the likely skew in respondents and responses as a result. Who, after all, reads the Federal Register? Who was on the list of 5000 names bequeathed from the Center for Community and Interfaith Partnerships--the folks who got an e-mail suggesting they take a look at the solicitation for comments? How do those two samples relate to the whole range of faith-based groups out there?

Judging from the responses the ACLU report quotes and the identifications of the respondents it gives, most of the responses were from folks who do receive HUD funds and have accommodated themselves to the HUD restrictions. Isn't it entirely predictable that their worries are mainly: not wanting more competitors, wanting everyone else to live under the same restrictions as they have had to, finding some of the fed rules irritating (but not on church-state grounds), and just wanting there to be more money fed into the system.

And take a look at the names of the respondents ACLU identifies--these are mainly groups that are pretty much against the Bush initiative in principle: United Methodists, Interfaith groups, United Jewish Federation, Catholic Charities--and some of the groups aren't service groups at all (City of Atlanta, Utah Issues/Center for Poverty Research and Action).

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Full-name: ClaudiaCBWB

Michele,
by now you should have rec'd by fax that information on our 20th anniversary and hope you can place it on the WH Faith Based Office calendar to be sure and be there. Since talking with you this morning, i have been in conversation with Rove's offices who called and regretted the dinner because the POTUS is scheduled for Atlanta that day. We have been talking to them there since the election about this (Woodson's son served diligently in the campaign in Austin (now At HUD) and asked only one thing--President to come to this event).

in our conversation, Dee Dee asked if i would put together a short Memo about a morning ceremony that would help stage something for us and our 7 pairs of awardees. I have done that. Please look over the enclosed that quickly puts together some suggestions for that opportunity. We are welcome to your feedback before i send it to Dee Dee.

thanks for all you do there, Kudos to my friend Don Eberly and Don Willett.

Claudia



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MEMO

TO: Dee Dee, White House

FROM: Claudia Barlow, Event Director for the National Center For Neighborhood Enterprise 20th anniversary

DATE: August 9, 2001

RE: White House Ceremony for NCNE 20th Anniversary Awards to faith based partnerships on September 20th, 2001

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BACKGROUND

For 20 years you have heard Bob Woodson argue that community and "faith based" organizations can be more effective than federal agencies in battling such urban problems as violence, drug addiction and homelessness.

His non profit, the National Center For Neighborhood Enterprise (NCNE) has guided dozens of grass-roots groups across the country and publicized the work of what Woodson calls "modern-day Josephs": ministers and community leaders who, like the biblical slave who advised the pharaoh on how to save Egypt.

It was Woodson who helped then Governor Bush see that "perverse Government rules and regulations" have for too long discriminated against opportunities for charitable answers to community health and rebuilding.

"Solutions to societal ills begin in the heart," Bob says. For years, he has honored those who against all odds have overcome their circumstances and transformed their lives and those around them. The partnerships that NCNE will honor at their 20th anniversary event (see attached) are as follows:

The **Pharaohs**, those leaders who reached out to others in partnership to help save a nation include:

Joe L. Dudley, Sr. in North Carolina,
Barry Meguiar in California,
Michael Joyce formerly in Milwaukee,
John and Susan Sykes of Tampa,
George F. Kettle of Washington, DC,
Bill Lyons, Jr. of Texas, and
Stephen M. Schuck of Denver.

The 2001 **Josephs** include: Teen Challenge International of Southern California, Mother Dear Community Center of Washington, DC, Community Enterprises of Greater Milwaukee, CDC of Tampa, Step 13 of Denver, Project Homestead of Greensboro, NC, and Victory Fellowship of San Antonio.

CONCEPT for Ceremony

Presidents in years past have made public their support in the Rose Garden or at the White House the outstanding contributions that faith based initiatives make throughout the country, and most especially when they are "against all odds."

NCNE suggests that The President uses this opportunity on the day of NCNE's celebration to do the following:

- Use a rose garden ceremony in awarding these 7 pairings to underline his commitment to Faith Based Initiatives by making remarks directed to all those on the Hill who are considering the matter, and to all those Americans who strive to re-build their lives and neighborhoods. At that time he can hand them the NCNE medals.
- Use those remarks in a private video message that can be played to that night's dinner audience at the Hilton. We invite Karl Rove to introduce that Video message at the dinner ceremonies.
- Include in that ceremony these participants (est. 150 people):
 1. NCNE Board and top staff and top donors
 2. NCNE's Host committee
 3. 7 "Joseph-Pharaoh" pairings from across the country who will be feted on the Hill and at the dinner that evening.
 4. Hill advocates on Faith Based Initiatives along with the WH Faith Based Office
 5. Selected Media who have written columns and covered the issue, and especially those local press people who have covered stories on the awardees from the grassroots

*Additionally, we suggest that the President begin to institutionalize a White House recognition memento that can be given periodically, much like the Kennedy Center Honors for the Arts, to those outstanding Americans who solve societal ills through faith based efforts. He can start with this ceremony as a way to move the country's conscience toward his faith based initiative.

(He may want to call it the *Jeremiah* award taken from the early colonial preacher for whom Thomas Jefferson rallied support after hearing that the man suffered imprisonment for his promotion of religious tolerance and freedom of religion. That preacher inspired Jefferson to write into the Virginia constitution the articles that are the basis for our freedom of religious heritage.)

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cc: Israel Hernandez/WHO/EOP@EOP

Subject: FW: Urban Update August 2, 2001

This is from the "Parents of the Year" folks.

Check out what they are doing with Youth Ministries....interesting...potential to highlight at a future time if appropriate.

----- Forwarded by Matthew E. Smith/WHO/EOP on 08/03/2001 08:02 AM -----



Bill Devlin <devlin@urbanfamily.org>

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Please respond to devlin@urbanfamily.org

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To: devlin <devlin@urbanfamily.org>

cc: devlin <devlin@urbanfamily.org>

Subject: FW: Urban Update August 2, 2001

20 seconds to read

1. Tonight TV Debate - August 2, 2001 from 9PM to 10PM on Comcast CN8 cable channel, Urban Family head Devlin will debate the issue of "Raising Teenagers." The show is broadcast on the East Coast from NYC to Baltimore.

2. Note for those who do youth ministry in Philadelphia - others can ignore.

Urban Family Council is currently working with the DeVos Foundation and their Urban Leadership Institute program. If you do youth ministry in the City of Philadelphia, we want to meet with you. Reverse email and tell us about your availability to meet with DeVos Foundation people and Urban Family Council.

We have 45 minute slots available all day and evening Monday August 6. We can come to you or you can meet with us at the Best Western at 2nd and Chestnut in Center City. Our goal is to help the DeVos Foundation and the Urban Leadership Institute assess the need in Philadelphia and how we can all work together. Get back to me ASAP via reverse email. Thanks youth

leaders in Philly for all you do.

William T. Devlin

president

Urban Family

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I will be out for the next three weeks.

We are traveling in England, and will be back August 24
The cell phone I can be reached at in an emergency is:

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I will be able to get e-mail if you send it to:

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OA65 Ticket ☒ Trouble Ticket ☐

Comments: Installed Flat Screen, Cleaned Temp Files, Checked PC Settings.

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NEOB Room 4216



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REMEMBERING INNOCENT MUSLIMS WHO DIED ON SEPTEMBER 11

"Killing the weak, infants, women, and the elderly, and destroying property, are considered serious crimes in Islam... Viewing on the TV what happened to the twin towers... was like watching doomsday. Those who commit such crimes are the worst of people. Anyone who thinks that any Islamic scholar will condone such acts is totally wrong... This barbaric act is not justified by any sane mindset... This act is pernicious and shameless and evil in the extreme."

-- Sheik Saleh Al-Laheidan, Chairman of the Supreme Judicial Council: 10/13/01, The Washington Post

OVERVIEW

On November 20 the Taliban and Al Qaeda told us that we should **"forget"** the mass murder they perpetrated on 11 September.

We will never forget the victims and the brave heroes who died attempting to save them. We will never forget the survivors – the thousands of orphans, the devastated families and the grieving friends they left behind. And we will never forget the victims who came from more than 80 countries and many races and religions – **including hundreds of followers of Islam.**

AL QAEDA'S ASSAULT ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

The following world nations suffered losses from the September 11 attacks by the al Qaeda network

Antigua & Barbuda	Ethiopia	Kenya	South Korea
Argentina	France	Lebanon	Spain
Australia	The Gambia	Liberia	Sri Lanka
Austria	Germany	Luxembourg	St. Kitts & Nevis
Bangladesh	Ghana	Malaysia	St. Lucia
Barbados	Greece	Mexico	St. Vincent & the Grenadines
Belgium	Grenada	The Netherlands	Sweden
Belarus	Guatemala	New Zealand	Switzerland
Belize	Guyana	Nicaragua	Taiwan
Bolivia	Haiti	Nigeria	Thailand
Brazil	Honduras	Norway	Togo
Canada	Hong Kong	Pakistan	Trinidad & Tobago
Chile	India	Panama	Turkey
China	Indonesia	Paraguay	Ukraine
Colombia	Iran	Peru	United Kingdom
Czech Republic	Ireland	Philippines	United States of America
Dominica	Israel	Poland	Uruguay
Dominican Republic	Italy	Portugal	Uzbekistan
Ecuador	Jamaica	Romania	Venezuela
Egypt	Japan	Russia	Yemen
El Salvador	Jordan	Slovakia	Zimbabwe
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SOME OF THE HUNDREDS OF MUSLIM VICTIMS OF AL QAEDA'S SEPTEMBER 11 ATTACKS

- ◆ **Rahma Salie**, 28, an observant Muslim of Sri Lankan nationality and seven months pregnant with her first child, was a passenger with her husband, Michael Theodoridis, on American Airlines flight 11. They were on their way to the wedding of one of her best high-school friends in California. Her husband, Michael had converted to Islam before marrying his college sweetheart. (Source: The Independent, U.K.)
- ◆ **Amenia Rasool**, a Guyana-born Muslim, was a mother of four children (aged 8, 6, 3 years and 10 months) who also worked as an accountant in the World Trade Center. As a young woman, she had come to America with her parents from rural Guyana, much like her husband. Their marriage was arranged by their parents, and flourished on a mix of Islamic tradition and American opportunity. (Source: New York Times)
- ◆ **Shabbir Ahmed** emigrated from Bangladesh in 1982, worked as a waiter in Windows on the World restaurant in the World Trade Center. His memorial service was held at the Jamaica Muslim Center in Queens, New York. (Source: New York Times & Tribune Newspaper Project)
- ◆ **Khalid Mohammed Shahid**, son of a Pakistani father and a Colombian mother, engaged to be married in November, a graduate of Montclair State College, a talented tennis player, and a practicing Muslim. (Source: Newsday)
- ◆ **Touri Bolourchi** and her husband, Akbar, immigrated to the United States from Iran in 1979. The couple raised their 2 daughters, Neda and Roya, in Los Angeles, creating a family proud of both its U.S. citizenship and Muslim faith. "True Muslims don't believe in killing to prove what they believe in," said Bobby Turan, Touri's grandson. (Source: CNN.com)
- ◆ **Salman Hamdani** loved not only Islam but also the country [the terrorists] hated. Born in Karachi, Pakistan, the 23 year-old laboratory technician, at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, was on his way to work by train on 11 September. Trained in emergency medical assistance, it appears he climbed aboard an ambulance headed for the World Trade Center. (Source: The Independent, U.K.)
- ◆ **Taimour Khan** always identified himself not just as an American but also as a Muslim. The son of a Pakistani couple, he was a commodities trader for the firm Carr Futures and was already hard at work in the World Trade Center when the first hijacked plane hit the building. (Source: The Independent, U.K.)
- ◆ **Ehtesham Raja**, a Muslim from Lahore, Pakistan, worked for TCG Software in Bloomfield, New Jersey. Like many Muslims from India and Pakistan, Mr. Raja, 28, loved Hindi music. (Source: New York Times)

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1/3/2002

A Daily Summary of News, Message and Facts About the War on Terrorism

Today's Schedule

- 12:30p EST State Department daily press briefing with spokesman Richard Boucher.
- 1:30p EST Department of Defense daily press briefing.
- 2:30p EST USAID Administrator Natsios to hold a media briefing at the State Department.

In Case You Missed It

- "Kabul is doing its best to recover its role as the center of Afghan culture. Today, in the ruins of the Kabul theater, a group of actors staged a small play...About 100 people attended, including musicians and singers who, for six years, had not been able to sing in public. As the first patriotic song was sung, many of the men and women danced in the aisles..." (NPR Morning Edition, 1/2/02)

Recent Key Quotes & Developments

- "The [latest bin Laden] tape contains the usual rhetoric we have seen before from a deviant and cowardly criminal. Bin Laden is deluding himself if he believes that his criminal acts are justified by any religion or principle of humanity. There is nothing that justifies terrorism and the murder of thousands of innocent people. These criminal acts have been condemned and rejected by all faiths, including Islam." (Prince bin Sultan, Saudi Ambassador to the U.S.; Embassy news release, 12/27/01)
- "Saudi King Fahd has called for an eradication of terrorism, which he said is prohibited by Islam...Terrorism 'sets out to spread evil over the earth, and our religion bans that,' he said. 'Terrorism has neither homeland, nor religion, nor nationality.'" (AFP, 12/29/01)
- "The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) on Monday offered total support to the U.S.-led international coalition and the 'anti-terror war'...Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates again condemned the attacks and 'expressed their total readiness to cooperate with the international community...'" (AFP, 12/31/01)

Message

Osama bin Laden is a coward who murders innocents, including women and children and Muslims.

We are a long way from finished in Afghanistan. Much difficult and dangerous work is yet to come. Many terrorists are still hiding in heavily fortified bunkers in rugged territory. They are said to be prepared for a long stay underground. But they are in for a sudden change of plans – because one by one, we are going to find them. Piece by piece, we will destroy their network of terror.

The U.S. is leading a global coalition that has made great progress in the war on terrorism:

- **Began to destroy al-Qaeda's grip on Afghanistan by driving the Taliban from power.**
- **Disrupted al-Qaeda's global operations and terrorist financing networks.**
- **Helped the innocent people of Afghanistan recover from the Taliban's reign of terror.**
- **Helped Afghans put aside long-standing differences to form a new interim government that represents all Afghans – including women.**

Facts of the Day

- In December 2001 alone, the U.N.'s World Food Program has dispatched – with U.S. assistance – an unprecedented 116,000 metric tons of humanitarian food aid into Afghanistan, which is more than it has delivered anywhere in its 40 year history. (U.N. News Service, 1/2/02)
- On January 1, 2002, UNICEF and the World Health Organization initiated a 3-month countrywide measles vaccination program in Afghanistan. The program aims to reach at least 9 million Afghan children in a country where some 35,000 children die from measles each year. (UNICEF, 12/20/01)

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Fact Sheet on Humanitarian Assistance

01/03/2002

A NEW YEAR OF HOPE FOR THE PEOPLE OF AFGHANISTAN

While the humanitarian situation in Afghanistan remains critical, the U.S., its allies and other relief organizations have made great strides in their efforts to help the people of Afghanistan recover from the oppressive Taliban regime. In fact, on December 31, 2001, *The Washington Post* reported that the delivery of unprecedented amounts of wheat to Afghanistan over the past month has helped avert a major famine. According to Catherine Bertini, Executive Director of the U.N. World Food Program, "There will be no famine in Afghanistan this winter." In addition, the Afghanistan Interim Authority, with international assistance, is beginning the longer-term reconstruction of the country. These are just some of the many success stories of the coalition effort to help the Afghan people begin a new life of hope:

- ◆ **Providing historic food relief to the Afghan people.** In December 2001 alone, the U.N.'s World Food Program (WFP) -- with U.S. assistance -- dispatched an unprecedented 116,000 metric tons of food into Afghanistan. This is the most food ever delivered in one month and will help feed millions of Afghans.
- ◆ **In the last three months alone, the U.S. government has spent more than \$194 million to help the Afghan people.** The government has provided vital relief supplies, including 2,440,920 Humanitarian Daily Rations (HDRs) for needy Afghans in remote areas; more than 75,000 blankets; plastic sheeting to help Afghans build shelters to protect their families; 20 metric tons of high energy biscuits; 10 large medical supply shipments; and 10,000 kitchen sets.
- ◆ **Preventing disease & death of Afghan children.** Recently, UNICEF and the World Health Organization (WHO) initiated a 3-month measles vaccination program across Afghanistan. The goal of the program is to reach at least 9 million Afghan children in a country where an average of 35,000 children die from measles each year.
- ◆ **Reconstruction assistance for the Afghan people.** The coalition is committed to helping the people of Afghanistan rebuild their homeland. Operations of the Afghanistan Interim Authority are being funded through the \$19.5 million it has received in pledges from international governments including Germany, Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. Later this month a ministerial meeting of donor countries will be held in Tokyo to further discuss the reconstruction of Afghanistan. The U.S. government is also funding the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Afghan homes, roads, bridges, water wells and irrigation systems.
- ◆ **America's children respond to help Afghan children.** President Bush launched America's Fund for Afghan Children, asking U.S. children to send \$1 -- or whatever they could afford -- to help the children of Afghanistan who have suffered under the Taliban regime. The Fund has raised nearly \$2 million and shipments have already been sent to Afghan children -- including hats, socks, coats, tents, school supplies and other important humanitarian items.
- ◆ **Helping Afghan refugees who fled the Taliban return home.** The Taliban's oppressive reign and war on women and children is ending. Many Afghan refugees who fled in fear now wish to return to their homes, and the U.S. is doing everything it can to help these refugees in Pakistan, Iran and other neighboring countries return home. In fact, the U.S. government has already spent more than \$32 million this fiscal year (since October 1) to help refugees return to their homes in Afghanistan. The U.K. has given 26 million pounds sterling to Pakistan for their support of Afghan refugees.
- ◆ **Communicating directly with the Afghan people.** The U.S. government has funded a radio program to provide humanitarian information to Afghans in their local languages. 30,000 radios are being distributed by USAID through the International Organization of Migration (IOM) to inform Afghans of health services such as immunizations for children and distribution points for food.
- ◆ **A long history of support for the Afghan people.** The U.S. government has for years been the largest donor of humanitarian aid to Afghanistan. Last year (FY 2001) the U.S. contributed more than \$183 million for Afghanistan, which included 80 percent of all food aid to WFP for Afghanistan; 56,925 blankets; 4,800 water jugs; 1,100 tents; plastic sheeting to help Afghans make shelter; 9 large medical supply shipments; and grants to relief agencies assisting affected Afghans.



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> WASHINGTON, November 1, 2001- National Credit Union Administration
> Chairman Dennis Dollar will be the keynote speaker at the fourth annual
> national faith-based credit union conference at the Radisson Hotel in
> Birmingham, Alabama on Friday, November 9, 2001.
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> In September, President George W. Bush appointed Mr. Dollar to serve as
> NCUA Chairman for the federal agency that charters, regulates, and/or
> insures the nation's nearly 11,000 federally-insured credit unions
> throughout the United States and its territories. He had served as Acting
> Chairman since February 2001 and has served as a Member of the NCUA Board
> since 1997.
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> "It is my hope that this summit of credit unions will enhance the focus on
> the great service that faith-based credit unions provide for communities
> across America," said Chairman Dollar.
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> Chairman Dollar is scheduled to speak on Friday afternoon at 2:15 p.m. He
> will discuss issues affecting the nation's faith-based credit unions and
> the new streamlined regulatory process for these credit unions to serve
> their surrounding communities. Also, he will discuss RegFlex (Regulatory
> Flexibility program), an innovative step toward providing earned

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> In April, the chairman announced a NCUA initiative in cooperation with the
> White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives to encourage
> the expansion of faith-based credit union services. There are
> approximately 500 faith-based credit unions in the United States with
> assets of \$2 billion nationwide. The initiative has received national
> attention as it continues to explore opportunities to provide innovation
> and flexibility for these institutions to serve underserved, low-income
> communities with affordable financial services.

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> Chairman Dollar contends that faith-based credit unions are also part of
> the solution to the predatory lending problem which has become a
> significant challenge facing many American communities, especially in
> low-income and underserved areas.

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BEFORE & AFTER

As Jamili Awhari sat down for her first broadcast on Radio Afghanistan, she took off the burka required by the Taliban. She put on a scarf instead. "Congratulations," she said to her listeners. "Through the walls and the doors of Kabul we hear sounds of happiness."

--ABC World News Tonight, 11/15/01

We're a long way from finished in Afghanistan. Much difficult and dangerous work is yet to come.

Many terrorists are still hiding in heavily fortified bunkers in rugged territory. They may be prepared for a long stay underground, but they are in for a sudden change of plans – because one by one, we are going to find them. Piece by piece, we will destroy their network of terror.

But as al Qaeda and the Taliban watch their frightening vision become relegated to history's unmarked graves of discarded lies, it is worth taking a moment to look at how things are improving for those Afghans who have been freed from the al Qaeda and Taliban regime.

For example, where Kabul's soccer stadium was used every third Friday as a house of execution, it is now used by children for soccer. Where music, kites, singing and open laughter were forbidden, Afghans are now living happier lives and enjoying new freedoms.

Consider Afghan women who have suffered years of al Qaeda and Taliban atrocities. Under the al Qaeda and Taliban regime, women are not allowed to participate in society, are beaten for working or seeking an education, and are forbidden from moving about their communities freely.

Today, in those areas lucky enough to have been liberated from al Qaeda and the Taliban, women are enjoying new freedoms. Here are just a few examples:

- ☒ Recently completed negotiations have guaranteed that Afghan women will be represented at the highest levels of the new Afghan government.
- ☒ 2,424 women in Kabul alone are working with the World Food Program to distribute food to the needy. (Source: World Food Program)
- ☒ Radio Afghanistan hired 3 women to read the news on the radio. (Source: Associated Press)
- ☒ In Nangarhar Province in eastern Afghanistan 3,500 girls have registered for classes and 320 women teachers have returned to work. (Source: The Daily Express UK)
- ☒ Women run 45 bakeries in Kabul and Mazar-I-Shariff (Source: World Food Program)
- ☒ A 16-year-old girl opened Kabul Television's return to the airwaves after a 5-year blackout under the Taliban (Source: The Independent UK)
- ☒ The World Food Program's Afghan offices are already employing 15 women full time. 7 are based in Kabul, with others in Jalalabad, Kandahar, Faizabadm, Herat, and Mazar-I-Shariff. (Source: World Food Program)

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11/28/2001

A Daily Summary of News, Message and Facts About the War on Terrorism

Today's Schedule

- 7:00a EST President Bush has breakfast with Congressional leaders
- 9:30a EST White House press gaggle with Ari Fleischer
- 10:30a EST President Bush to meet with U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan
- 11:15a EST President Bush to meet the President of Spain
- 12:00p EST Department of Defense daily press briefing with Admiral Stufflebeem and Torie Clarke
- 12:30p EST State Department's daily press briefing with Spokesman Richard Boucher
- 1:30p EST President Bush to make remarks to Farm Journal Corporation Convention
- 2:30p EST White House daily press briefing with Ari Fleischer
- 3:00p EST Secretary Powell to meet with U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan
- 6:00p EST DOD Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz interview with Indonesia TV

In Case You Missed It

- "Monday was the first day at the Naswan Girls School...shut down by Taliban troops four years ago...'Today I am very happy,' said Bibi Zanan [9]...'I want to learn English.'" (*Los Angeles Times*, 11/27/01)

Recent Key Quotes & Developments

- A three-day international conference on "Preparing for Afghanistan's Reconstruction" began Monday in Islamabad. More than 330 international development experts and Afghan NGO representatives are meeting to prepare for the challenges of providing international assistance in post-Taliban Afghanistan.
- "In the [Kunduz hospital] wards lay many wounded patients, but the doctor had little medicine to give them: It had all been stolen. 'The Taliban came and wrecked everything and took everything,' [Dr. Mohammed] Usman said angrily. 'Everything that was here was brought in by the U.N. and the Taliban took it all away today.'" (Robyn Dixon; *Los Angeles Times*, 11/27/01)
- "Under the Taliban, going to school was frightening. We were desperate to learn, but we always had to worry about being caught and dealt with by authorities,' Fatema [18] says." (Thor Valdmanis; *USA Today*, 11/27/01)
- "Around the city [of Kunduz], the Taliban's fall brought a general sense of relief and the pleasure of newfound freedoms." (Sharon LaFroniere; *Washington Post*, 11/27/01)

Message

- The humanitarian situation in Afghanistan is dire. Years of civil war, compounded by the cruel and selfish rule of the Taliban and the worst drought in living memory, have made matters worse.
- Millions face the threat of starvation. 70% of the Afghan people are malnourished. Only 13% of the Afghan people have access to clean water. One in four Afghan children will not make it to their fifth birthday. According to U.N. estimates, there were over a million displaced people in Afghanistan prior to September 11. And before September 11 there were over 3.5 million Afghan refugees.
- For years the U.S. has been the largest humanitarian aid donor to the people of Afghanistan. And the U.S. and its coalition allies are working around the clock to help get food, blankets, medicine and other important humanitarian aid to the Afghan people before their harsh winter sets in.
- The Al Qaeda and Taliban contribution to the Afghan people has been a deliberate and systematic campaign to disrupt the efforts of international relief agencies to deliver desperately needed food and medical supplies to the Afghan people. Among other things, the Taliban have seized and looted humanitarian supplies for themselves and have harassed and beaten Afghan and international aid workers.
- The Taliban are clearly more interested in protecting the Al Qaeda terrorist network than feeding the starving innocent people of Afghanistan.

Facts of the Day

- According to new figures, since October 1 the U.S. government has provided \$164,381,033 in humanitarian assistance to the people of Afghanistan.
- Since September 11, the U.N. World Food Program -- with U.S. assistance -- has delivered 70,000 tons of food into Afghanistan.
- In November, so far, the World Food Program -- with U.S. assistance -- has delivered enough food commodities to cover the needs of 4.3 million people.

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12/5/2001

A Daily Summary of News, Message and Facts About the War on Terrorism

Today's Schedule

- 9:45a EST White House press gaggle with Ari Fleischer.
- 12:00p EST White House daily press briefing with Ari Fleischer.
- 12:00p EST Defense Department daily press briefing with Admiral Stufflebeam and Torie Clarke.
- 1:00p EST State Department daily press briefing with spokesman Philip Reeker.
- 3:30p EST President Bush to meet the Prime Minister of Norway.
- 9:00p EST Secretary Rumsfeld to appear on CNN's Larry King Live show.

In Case You Missed It

- On December 3, USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance provided \$3,583,330 to the Cooperative for American Relief Everywhere (CARE) to support initiatives that will provide water and sanitation services, agricultural rehabilitation, and shelter assistance to Afghans in need of humanitarian relief.

Recent Key Quotes & Developments

- "Targeting the pocketbooks of terrorists, the Bush Administration froze the assets early Tuesday of an American foundation and two overseas groups accused of financing the militant Palestinian organization HAMAS." (AP, 12/4/01)
- Federal agents locked down the offices of the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development in Texas, Illinois, New Jersey, and California, taking custody of relevant business records. The Foundation provides millions of dollars each year to HAMAS. The assets of Beit el-Mal Holdings, an investment company controlled by HAMAS, and Al-Aqsa Islamic Bank, a financial arms of HAMAS substantially owned by Beit el-Mal, were also frozen.
- "U.S. and Canadian officials have agreed to measures tightening border security, including the deployment of 600 U.S. National Guard troops to border crossings and the sharing of computerized fingerprints. The measures – signed by the U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft and Canadian Cabinet ministers on Monday – are aimed at speeding up commerce across the border while strengthening anti-terrorism controls." (AP, 12/4/01)

Message

- The global coalition against terrorism grows stronger every day – every day al-Qaida is becoming more and more isolated.
- The terrorists seek to destroy our freedom and impose its views. We value life, the terrorists ruthlessly destroy it.
- The President has called our military into action to hunt down the members of the al-Qaida organization who murdered innocent Americans. We gave fair warning to the government that harbors them in Afghanistan. The Taliban made a choice to continue hiding terrorists, and now they are paying the price.
- Throughout this battle, we adhere to our values. Unlike our enemy, we respect life. We do not target innocent civilians. We care for the innocent people of Afghanistan, so we continue to provide humanitarian aid, even while their government tries to steal the food we send. When the terrorists and their supporters are gone, the people of Afghanistan will say with the rest of the world: good riddance.
- No group or nation should mistake America's intentions: Where terrorist groups of global reach exist, the United States and our friends and allies will seek it out and destroy them.

Facts of the Day

- Already in FY02, USAID has contributed \$98,556,594 in emergency assistance to Afghanistan. To date, the United States Government has provided \$177,214,363 in humanitarian assistance to Central Asia in response to the Afghan crisis.
- USAID has also provided an additional \$2,000,000 to the U.N.'s World Food Program to support the logistics requirements of its current food aid distribution program. The grant supplements \$13.5 million previously granted to WFP's Afghanistan operation for food commodities and food transport equipment.

AL QAEDA & THE TALIBAN: THE MAKING OF A HUMANITARIAN DISASTER

The humanitarian situation in Afghanistan is dire. Years of civil war -- compounded by the cruel and selfish rule of the Taliban and the worst drought in living memory -- have made matters worse.

Al Qaeda and the Taliban have not only failed to provide security, food, and shelter for the Afghan people, but they have disrupted the efforts of international relief agencies to deliver desperately needed food and medical supplies to the Afghan people. **Among other things, the Taliban have seized and looted humanitarian supplies for themselves and have harassed and beaten Afghan and international aid workers.**

The U.S. has long been the largest humanitarian aid donor to the people of Afghanistan.

The Taliban are clearly more interested in protecting Al Qaeda than feeding the starving innocent people of Afghanistan.

AFGHANISTAN BEFORE SEPTEMBER 11

Afghanistan has suffered two decades of war, the worst drought in living memory, and the collapse of government infrastructure and access to basic social services. As Al Qaeda and the Taliban directed national resources toward war and imposed severe restrictions on its people, including a restriction on women working outside the home, the situation of the Afghan people worsened. The statistics are alarming:

- Millions face the threat of starvation.
- 70% of the Afghan people are malnourished.
- Only 13% of the Afghan people have access to clean water.
- One in four Afghan children will not make it to their fifth birthday.
- One in three Afghan children is an orphan.
- One in two Afghan children is malnourished.
- Afghanistan has the world's fourth worst child mortality rate.
- Afghanistan ranks number one worldwide in maternal mortality.
- According to U.N. estimates, there were over a million displaced people in Afghanistan prior to September 11.
- Before September 11 there were over 3.5 million Afghan refugees
- Six million people in Afghanistan and 1.5 million Afghan refugees depend on international relief programs for food.
- As many as 50,000 widows lost husbands and other male relatives in the course of Afghanistan's long civil war.
- The average life expectancy in Afghanistan is 46 years.

THE HARSH AFGHAN WINTER

Afghanistan is a mountainous country in a dry part of the world which experiences extremes of climate and weather. Afghanistan experiences extreme winter weather, with heavy snow in the mountains and the high plateaus. Even low-lying areas like Kabul can have up to 25 inches of snow on the ground in late winter.

The Afghan winters are harsh. Whole families of refugees live in tents no more than 3.5 feet square. They sleep on the ground with no blankets or protection from the brutal winters. Last winter, desperate parents dug holes in the ground, placed their children in the holes, and laid on top of them to give their children a slight respite from frigid temperatures.

Countless Afghans find themselves with no protection whatsoever against the harsh Afghan winter. For example, the U.N. Coordinator for Afghanistan reported that over 110 displaced persons taking shelter in camps in Herat died from

extreme cold on the night of January 29, 2001. Children, the elderly, and women were among the main victims of the cold snap, which saw temperatures as low as -25 degrees centigrade.

THE TERRORIST CONTRIBUTION TO THE SUFFERING AFGHAN PEOPLE

The U.S. and its coalition partners work around the clock to help get food and other aid to the Afghan people.

The Al Qaeda and Taliban contribution to the Afghan people has been a deliberate and systematic campaign to disrupt the efforts of international relief agencies to deliver desperately needed food and medical supplies to the Afghan people.

Among other things, the Taliban have seized and looted humanitarian supplies for themselves and have harassed and beaten Afghan and international aid workers.

The Taliban and Al Qaeda are clearly more interested in protecting Al Qaeda than feeding the starving people of Afghanistan.

The following specific examples of Taliban disruptions are contained in the November 6 State Department Fact Sheet: *The Taliban's Betrayal of the Afghan People*:

- October 16: The Taliban seized control of two U.N. World Food Program (WFP) warehouses, one in Kabul, and one in Kandahar, containing more than half the World Food Program's wheat supply for Afghanistan. The WFP in Kandahar had been feeding 150,000 Afghans a month before the Taliban seizure. The WFP reports that 1,600 tons of food and several vehicles have since disappeared from the Kandahar WFP warehouse. (Source: World Food Program)
- **The Taliban are actually hijacking humanitarian convoys for military purposes.** The November 6 *Washington Post* reports, "A truck in a convoy purportedly on a humanitarian mission to deliver food tipped over, and crates of tank and mortar shells could be seen spilling to the ground underneath a thin layer of flour."
- "UNICEF lost all its properties and had its offices looted when the Taliban took control in north Afghanistan in 1997, and U.N. operations were suspended." (Source: UNICEF)
- November 6: The UN refugee agency (UNHCR) says the Taliban is hindering humanitarian efforts inside Afghanistan... Speaking on behalf of the UNHCR, Peter Kessler said the Taliban was failing to cooperate: "The UNHCR and our partner agencies have had our vehicles stolen, our offices taken over and our staff beaten." (Source: BBC)
- October 31: The UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) offices in Spin Boldak were taken over by Taliban soldiers. (Source: UNHCR)
- October 18: Taliban soldiers seized the Mercy Corps International Office in Kandahar, and remain in possession of the office and MCI vehicles. (Source: Mercy Corps)
- October 17: The Taliban occupied the Kunduz office and warehouse of the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The warehouse had been stocked with winter clothing, shoes and blankets to be distributed to internally displaced persons in the region. (Source: IOM)
- October 16: The Swedish Committee for Afghanistan reported that its compound in Taliban-controlled Mazar-i-Sharif was seized on October 16, with fuel stores set ablaze by the Taliban. (Source: Human Rights Watch)

- October 16: The UN Security Council demanded that the Taliban cease obstructing aid destined for the Afghan people.
- October 8: Armed Taliban entered the compound of a demining NGO in Kandahar and demanded vehicles. Staff who resisted were beaten. The Taliban left with several ambulances, seven pick-up trucks, and six cargo trucks from the compound. (Source: Human Rights Watch)

THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO FEEDING & PROTECTING THE AFGHAN PEOPLE

The United States has long been the leading donor of humanitarian assistance to Afghanistan:

- The U.S. has supplied more than 80 percent of all food aid to vulnerable Afghans through the United Nations' World Food Program (WFP). Since September 11th, WFP has delivered about 70,000 tons of food into Afghanistan. In November so far, WFP has delivered enough food commodities to cover the needs of 4.3 million people.
- Last year, the U.S. Government provided over \$178 million in humanitarian aid to the Afghan people.
- The U.S. Government has provided over \$164 million in aid to Afghanistan thus far since October 1.
- With U.S. support, WFP delivered over 30,000 metric tons of food into Afghanistan in the first half of November, exceeding records for food delivery into the country. The more than 29,000 metric tons that WFP moved in October had been the most food ever moved in a whole month in Afghanistan.
- The U.S. airlifted 20,000 wool blankets, 100 rolls of plastic sheeting, 200 metric tons of High Energy Biscuits, and one metric ton of sugar to Turkmenistan for distribution in Afghanistan.
- The U.S. purchased 15,000 metric tons of wheat in Kazakhstan, which is moving by railway to Turkmenabad. The first rail car of wheat arrived on November 23 carrying 1,500 metric tons of wheat.
- The U.S. Department of Defense has airdropped nearly 2 million Humanitarian Daily Rations into Afghanistan. Each ration is enough to sustain a person with a day's worth of calories.
- On November 20, a ship departed Port Lake Charles, Louisiana with 10,000 metric tons of U.S.-donated food for the people of Afghanistan.
- A shipment of five large USAID-funded medical shipments arrived in Turkmenistan on November 12 for distribution by UNICEF. Each shipment provides basic medical supplies and medicines for 10,000 people for three months. USAID has provided a total of 10 kits for Afghanistan.
- On November 21, 65,000 metric tons of food provided by USAID arrived in Iran for transfer to WFP regional hubs in Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Iran, Tajikistan, and Kyrgyzstan for delivery into Afghanistan.
- On November 24, USAID airlifted 350,000 wheat bags to Turkmenabad for WFP to use to package and distribute WFP wheat supplies.
- USAID airlifted 1,000 rolls of plastic sheeting to Turkmenistan for emergency shelter use in Afghanistan.
- USAID transported 20,400 blankets from its stockpiles on October 23, and an additional 15,000 blankets on October 25, to Pakistan for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees to use in the event of a refugee influx.

PREVENTING CIVILIAN CASUALTIES

"There's never been a conflict where there have not been civilian deaths. If one were to take this activity in Afghanistan and rank it as to the number of civilian deaths, and the care and attentiveness that has gone in to try to have the right weapon and the most precise method of doing things, I can't imagine there's been a conflict in history where there has been less collateral damage-less unintended consequences."

-- Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, 1/3/02

- ☑ The terrorists declared war on civilians, killing more than 3,000 innocent people from more than 80 countries on September 11.
- ☑ The coalition has taken every step possible to protect civilians while the terrorists have targeted civilians by placing their military assets near mosques, hospitals and neighborhoods.
- ☑ The Afghan people themselves are noting the precision of the coalition military campaign.

IN THEIR OWN WORDS...

"Ali Ahmed, a 16-year-old thrill-seeker proficient in English, said that for kicks he would go to every bomb site in the city minutes after the blasts occurred. 'They rarely killed normal people,' Ali said. 'I went to many sites. I never saw a dead normal person.'" (*The Washington Post*, 12/12/01)

"I found to my surprise that rather than Kandahar being a city that was totally destroyed by bombing, it was a city certainly in disrepair, a poor city that was decaying, but not as a result of the bombing. In fact the bombing appeared to have been incredibly targeted. Just to give you one example, I went to this one street where there were two al-Qaida houses, and you saw a bombed-out house, basically nothing remaining, then a fully standing house that belonged to a family who lived there, and then another bombed-out house that had been an al-Qaida and Taliban safe house. So it was very interesting to see that some of the reports we had heard about the Pentagon doing precision bombing, in fact, had been correct, that to a large extent they had really pinpoint bombed al-Qaida headquarters or al-Qaida offices," said Indira Lakshmanan, Asia correspondent for the Boston Globe. (*The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*, 12/26/01)

"Now, with journalists and humanitarian workers gaining access to bombed areas for the first time, a picture is emerging of an aerial campaign remarkable for its pinpoint accuracy." (*Source: Chicago Tribune*, 11/21/01)

"The capture of Kandahar, perhaps more than any other city in Afghanistan, stands as an example of the new American high-tech war. A visit to about 20 bombing targets in the city showed that relatively few innocent bystanders had been killed, largely because the bombs were accurate." (*Source: The New York Times*, 12/26/01)

"We were amazed at the accuracy," said Mohammed Alem, a carpenter from the Qasabale-Kargere housing complex near the airport, where the tarmac and surrounding grounds are littered with aircraft fuselages scattered like broken pencils. (*Source: The Philadelphia Inquirer*, 11/21/01)

"A drive around [Kandahar] seemed to contradict Taliban assertions of wholesale damage and massive civilian casualties; on the contrary, US airstrikes appear to have hit Taliban and Qaeda facilities, not civilian targets. There are few war injuries in Kandahar hospitals, and no evidence of a large civilian death toll." (*The Boston Globe*, 12/15/01)

"The targeting was exact," said Qiamuddin, 50, a former Afghan army officer and a village elder. (*Source: The Guardian [U.K.]*, 12/01/01)



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