

*Eid scarred, as five die in Mareb:*

## Tribal killings

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**Mareb** - Five men were killed and three wounded Nov. 19 in the governorate of Mareb after a gun battle involving tribesmen and security forces.

The violence erupted after one tribesman belonging to the tribe of al-Fugara of Murad was killed by tribesmen from Al-Ali bin Saleh of Jahm, a result of a long disputed tribal vengeance.

The attackers attempted to escape but were chased by a military force along a highway.

The military force shot at the tribesmen's car to force the driver to stop, but killed one of the tribesmen in it. In retaliation, the tribesmen showered the military vehicle with automatic machinegun fire.

Three soldiers in the car were killed, making the total loss in lives in the day five people.

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Military forces with vehicles, like the one shown here, have rarely interfered in tribal clashes, but when they do, they sometimes face deadly consequences. YT photo by Hssan Al-Zaidi

*Review of Abdulqader Bajammal commentary*

## In the beginning was the word: So where's the dialogue?

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In the article "From dialogue of cultures to a culture of dialogue" published in the London-based newspaper *Al-Haya* on Nov. 12, Abdulqader Bajammal has touched on the state of the world today and some of the intellectual, political, economic and security woes the world is suffering. He said "the core of the crisis in today's

world is basically crystallized in the loss of elements of understanding among world population who have remained in intellectual, political and economic isolation."

He added that some had thought the cold war was terminated by the end of the Soviet Union and others had perceived that the emergence of an inhuman or unethical perception establishes an idea that humanity would adapt capitalist per-

cepts and see an immediate change towards the free world system as seen by America and Europe.

Bajammal has that peoples of the world are facing crises because those who had been victims of the cold war are now harmed in post-cold war because what is required of them is to be subservient to the hegemony in both military and economic fields.

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Abdulqader Bajammal

## Americans on alert

Yemen Times Staff

The US embassy in Sana'a has advised US citizens in Yemen to exercise a high state of vigilance and caution because the extradition of two Yemeni citizens facing charges of terrorism may lead to repercussions for Americans in Yemen.

"United States citizens should review and update their security procedures at this time and maintain a high state of vigilance and caution.

The Embassy advises American citizens in Yemen to exercise particular caution at locations frequented by foreigners, such as the Sana'a Trade Center, American-affiliated franchises, restaurants and shops in the Haddah area in Sana'a and in Aden and elsewhere, and at the restaurants and hotels owned and frequented by expatriates," a travel warning issued by the embassy said Nov. 17.

It pointed out that Sheikh Mohammed Ali al-Moayed, a leading member at the Islah party and his assistant Mohammed Mohsen Zayed will not be prosecuted in a military commission or in an extraordinary court.

The two Yemeni nationals who were arrested in Germany last

January were turned over to the US after the German government approved the extradition which was approved by the German Federal Constitutional Court Nov. 13. Security measures around the US embassies and interests in Yemen have been intensified.

The Travel Warning also advised U.S. citizens in Yemen to "consult the current Department of State Consular Information Sheet and Travel Warning for Yemen for additional security and safety information. They are reminded to pay particular attention to their personal security at all times, including keeping a low profile, varying routes and times of travel, avoiding large crowds and demonstrations, and

reporting any suspicious activity to the Embassy's Regional Security Office."

The Yemeni government and Islah party said that they would follow up the case of the two men with the US government.

Yemen's foreign minister Dr. Abu Bakr al-Qirbi demanded the US government to return the two men back home. Islah also confirmed that they are innocent and that the US might have received mistaken reports on them. However, the US believes that al-Moayed supplied \$20 million, recruits and weapons to bin Laden in the years before the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

The last warning by the embassy was issued in September 2003.

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# Coastguard crew back from U.S. training

Five Yemeni Coastguard technicians team came back home today after completing a five-week US government-sponsored tour in the United States.

The technicians were working at Colonnas Shipyard in Norfolk, Virginia, alongside American technicians to reactivate eight US Coast Guard boats that will be delivered to the Yemeni Coast Guard in Aden.

The boats will be ready for operation in January 2004 and will play a crucial part in securing Yemen's coast and waters.

The boats are being reactivated as part of a ship transfer program, which is one of the integral projects of the continuing military cooperation between the Yemen and United States.

On Nov. 7, representatives of the US Coast Guard, as well as the Yemeni Military Attache stationed in the United States (Staff Brig. General Abdullah Abulrejal) made an inspection trip to the shipyard in Norfolk. In addition to the inspection, the Yemeni technicians crewed one of the boats and took the inspectors out for a demonstration.

## Course on small projects ends

Aden - Thirty trainees concluded last Sunday their small-scale projects course held in Aden.

The course lasted for three weeks and focused on how to start and run small-scale projects.

The course was organized by the Aden Chamber of Commerce and Industry in cooperation with the GTZ.

The participants represented a

number of NGOs and developmental associations along with a number of rising merchants and traders who would like to enhance their income through new small-scale projects.

The course focused on the issues related to economic feasibility, long-term planning and development, along with human resources.

## Yemeni religious singers in Cairo

The Yemeni religious singing group 'Muwashahat' left recently to Cairo where it will represent Yemen in an international opera festival to be held during the last week of Ramadan in the Egyptian capital.

The participation is part of Yemen-Egypt cultural

cooperation and aims at promoting cultural values of the Arab world. The Yemeni group represents several different types of religious singing and chanting of different governorates. The group will be wearing Yemeni traditional costumes during the festival.

# 92 al-Qaeda and AAIA suspects to be freed

By Mohammed al-Qadhi  
Yemen Times Staff

President Ali Abdullah Saleh ordered the release of 92 members of al-Qaeda and the Aden-Abyan Islamic Army (AAIA) on the basis of the recommendations of clerics.

The clerics, who were given the job of interviewing fanatics, say these 92 have repented of their extremist views, a Yemeni official news report said Sunday, without giving a date for the release.

The original number to be released was 150, but opposition sources and independent observers said that the foreign pressure, mainly from the US, kept the number at 92.

However, other sources said that

high ranking Yemeni security and intelligence officials are aloof to get these fanatics released as they believe they still represent a challenge and that some of the freed ones have been caught red-handed again.

One source said that President Saleh was briefed Sunday on the results of the dialogues with al-Qaeda and AAIA militants in jails. It pointed out that the pardoned extremists denounced their fanatic ideas of violence, extremism and terrorism, declaring that they would abide by law and order and not target foreign embassies and interests in Yemen.

Fifty-four of the freed extremists are members of the AAIA or what is called "Huttat group" who, according

to official sources, surrendered to government and declared repentance. The pardon includes the leader of the AAIA, Khalid Abdul Nabbi who is already free.

Yemeni special counter terrorism forces stormed the mountainous area of Huttat, 120 km north east of Aden governorate, hunting down some 80 militants who attacked on June 21 a military medical convoy injuring a doctor, five aides and the driver.

Tanks, artillery, heavy machine guns and other weapons were used in the military operation against the militants who were camping in the rugged area along with some al-Qaeda militants suspected of having links with the USS Cole bombing.

# Key terrorist mastermind chased

By MOHAMMED BIN SALLAM  
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A recent attack by Yemeni-Saudi forces in Jabal Wahan in al-Jawf governorate targeted Moataz al-Qandahari, said to be responsible for al-Qaeda Jihad in Yemen and the Arabian Peninsula, al-Balagh paper said last week.

The attack came after the recent explosions that were taken place in the Riyadh two weeks ago.

It is said also that al-Qandahari was seriously injured after an air attack, along with a number of other companions.

Tribal resources said that al-Qandahari has been harbored by a tribe in al-Jawf governorate.

But the source did not disclose any conditions laid by tribes there in return for his hideout.

At the same time, sources refused to disclose any contacts made between the Yemeni authorities and tribesmen to determine criteria for tracking down al-Qandahari.

Initial reports said that security authorities indicated that they haven't learned about al-Qandahari's whereabouts. It has been reported that he has been noticed after giving a religious sermon recounting a number of inci-

dents when criticizing Khaled Abduhannabi, a key terror target and a leader of the Abyan-Aden Islamic Army. In his religious sermon, Abduhannabi was labeled as an infidel because of having changed his mind on some ideas.

Strict military procedures have been taken by the Yemeni-Saudi authorities to strengthen their borders particularly after the recent terror explosions taken place in Riyadh, according to media reports.

The source said that security authorities, coast guards have been increasingly deployed alongside both, the land as well as the marine borders.

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# Tribal killings

#### Tribesmen outraged

Tribal figures of the region including those belonging to the al-Fugara tribe, whose member was killed by the escapee tribesmen, were outraged for the interference of the security forced in what they call 'tribal affairs'.

"The government should not have interfered in tribal affairs that we as tribesmen can deal with without the involvement of a third party. We have ways to settle our disputes and this loss of life is merely a result of the government's interference, a prominent tribal figure told Yemen Times on condition of anonymity.

"We have our own rules, our own life style and our own ways to deal with things and want the government to stay out of trouble" he added.

#### Between factions

This is the first time government forces try to interfere in a tribal dispute

between two tribes in Mareb. Despite the many other tribal revenge cases that happen in the region, and lead to the killing of tens of tribesmen, the government had never in the past instructed to go between the fighting factions.

This comes a few weeks after President Saleh signaled the distribution 12,000 security men in the three governorates of Mareb, Shabwa and Al-Jowf in the war against terror and in an effort to 'curb terrorist elements, who may have found refuge in the region and to also minimize violence and use of weapons.

The three governorates are identified to be the most volatile and heavily armed governorates, which are considered lawless by different measures. The step was taken after realizing that letting tribesmen continue to carry out their affairs in the way they are today will have a negative impact on the security of the country, and hence its

reputation in the region and the world, especially after the USS Cole and Limburg attacks that took place in the last few years.

#### The arms culture

Tribal areas in general, and those in Mareb in particular are considered to be the most heavily armed regions in the country. Yemen has been suffering from the carrying and use of illegal weapons for more than two decades. The government's efforts to regulate the use and carrying of weapons have so far yielded little fruits since it was embarked.

Today, more than 50 million pieces of weapons are estimated to be in the hands of Yemeni citizens. This number makes Yemen the country with one tenth of light weapons of the world and the country with the highest rate of weapons per individual on average (three per person)

## Review of Abdulqader Bajammal commentary

Unfortunately these ideas of nihilism, consolidating the concepts of power, have found their embodiment by pursuits of the superpowers, politically and militarily. They have made the political decision in the hands of a state like the United States, depending on it in the behavior towards the peoples all over the world. This included the abolishment of historical characteristics and syllabus of those peoples in terms of ideology, nationality and region.

Hence began the disaster that the United States of America and some of its supporters have got involved in, especially represented by engaging in the process of civilization conflicts.

Bajammal also talked about the American hegemony and the negative impact of that on the world. He says if the historical bloc had in the past realized all those facts and managed to establish East-West relations, the sole superpower today, i.e. the United States, that is dominating our economic, political and security world has to realize that history, geography and ideologies had been a major cause of collapse of the Soviet Union, cit-

ing words of the Dagestan poet, "He who shoots his gun at the past will be shelled by big guns of the future," adding it is a call for a deep reading of the past and the present and close examination of the future.

It is a task possessing national, regional and international dimensions. Bajammal maintains that the current situation, within the present historical epoch, appears clearly that the United States has taken its decision to undertake matters of war and peace in our contemporary world and to shoulder the responsibility for security and stability and to carry out the task of an international guardian of the situations resulted from the termination of the so-called cold war.

So the United States has authorized itself to create necessary changes the world over. Bajammal concludes his article saying these visions adopted by the United States as a sole superpower is dependent on a system lacking dialogue mechanisms and characterized by superiority, dogmatism and haughtiness.

All this needs human dialogue that has become necessary and urgent in all

events. The call submitted under the title of "dialogue of cultures" remains in need of another essential heading to proceed this comprehensive concept of the historical intellectual issue in question. This is the agreement in the first place on establishment and consolidation of the culture of dialogue springing from principles of freedom, democracy and human rights, which means recognition of the bases of equality among the dialogists and stepping forward from the basis that all of us are neighbours in one world.

In consequence, dialogists have the right to realize freedom and a dignified life, and to entertain the values of justice and human cooperation via civilization's advancement, independent from guardianship, hegemony and external superiority.

In the beginning there was the word, and via it the dialogue.

At the end of his article, Bajammal says let's first establish the culture of dialogue as a common human concept, discarding violence and terror and embodying values of tolerance and peace among people of this planet.



## Poverty and crime:

# Ramadhan doesn't put food on every table

By HASSAN AL-ZAIDI  
YEMEN TIMES STAFF

With the advent of the Holy Month, citizens prepare themselves for buying the basic necessities and other foodstuff during the whole one-month fast. They spend too much money on the month of Ramadhan, more than any month all the year around.

act against morality, religion and human values has left a deep negative effect both morally and materially on me.

More sorrow than in anger, car thefts activities during the Holy Month of Ramadhan have been notoriously performed and in broad daylight. If we mull over such thefts ask ourselves, why do such robust youths resort to car thefts?

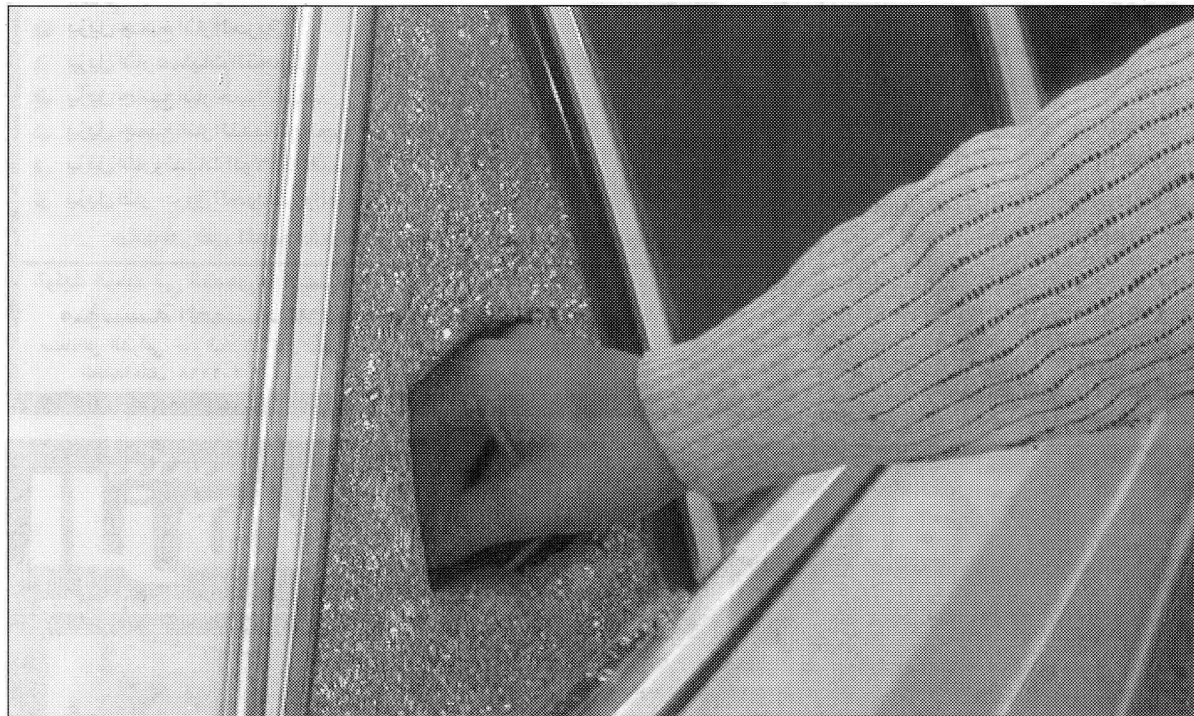
The main motives behind such thefts in general can be attributed to the

practice this activity will restore to committing illegal acts including car thefts in case their living standards are not improved.

All those acts have takes place in a time in which our officials remained silent.

Where is the role of the security men? Have they ever asked themselves, why car thefts are on the rise and why do such robust youths restore to such activities?

Where do the foreign loans go? Why



In Ramadhan, robberies of cars is more frequent than any other time. Perhaps this confirms that Ramadan doesn't put food on every table. Photo by Hassan Al-Zaidi.

But as a result of the high increase of prices, and the deteriorating conditions of Yemen's economy, theft appears in the Holy Month as a normal activity of some people. It is of course a month of repentance, worship, mercy and seeking forgiveness and gaining God's favor. During the middle of the Month of Ramadhan, I was taken aback of a neighbor of mine who screamed at me loudly, "Come on, your car was stolen!"

It is a matter of bad luck to get up to a car theft, taking place in an adjoining neighborhood or even near your house. My car theft case is one the most dangerous cases that has taken place. A thief tried climbing the wall of my courtyard, crossing and challenging impetuously the sharp steels implanted on the wall of the courtyard of where I live.

It is an evil act in a holy month. Those thieves broke the glasses of the car windows in order to pry into the car and take everything in it. Also, another eagle-eyed person was left outside the house courtyard to monitor the situation from a short distance, in order to inform them of any danger where they might fall into a passer-by or security.

This evil act was in broad daylight, taking every opportunity particularly, the lethargy of people. This criminal

spread of poverty among youths, unemployment, and deteriorating economic and security conditions.

There are other forms of thefts, which can be performed by the security men when they are on security mission. This kind of theft has taken place when I tried to inform them of my car theft. They have refused to go to the site where the theft has occurred until they were promised and then paid money.

"You! Security men are thieves. We are waiting from you to take the criminals' fingerprints and arrest them, and therefore you don't move until I pay you!" said one of doctors who has been exposed to a car theft in a police station.

One of the foreigners also has been exposed to a car theft. He is one of the managers of a company in bridges and roads. He is from Germany and comes to Yemen to work as an expert. He has been deeply frustrated due to misconduct on the part of some security men at the criminal investigation when informing them of his car theft.

### Study on youth crime

A study has been recently published by UNICEF said that those who work in washing cars and also perform begging activities constitute 58 percent.

Undoubtedly, majority of those who

don't they reconsider the living standard of the poverty-stricken people? Several questions pose themselves and are in need of an immediate reply.

Does this indicate that there are other thieves who get accustomed to stealing billions of dollars and we at the same time find thousands of beggars and vagabonds loitering in street corners and pavements.

Recent reports have indicated that the Capital Secretariat alone has witnessed during the Holy Month of Ramadhan more than 7,000 beggars. Most of them are children, women and old people.

Around 48 percent of people live under the poverty line. We find these beggars in queues, lined before villas and houses of our officials asking them for alms.

The picture in reality seems even worse, when we see men, women, old and young, girls and boys all moving in great numbers and asking for alms.

Food security is really non-existent in our economy, and this in turn intensifies the suffering of people, particularly children, posing, for them, a very hazardous uncertain future.

All by all, deplorable economic conditions in Yemen has intensified the suffering of people, even during religious occasions such as Ramadhan.

## Technology doesn't change some things

# Ramadhan customs prove timeless

By MAHYOUB AL-KAMALI  
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Ramadhan, a special holy month for Muslims, comes up with great, valuable concepts and practices.

Its sacredness and holiness bestow a virtuous atmosphere of sympathy and solidarity upon the people. It also makes people feel for and see through the suffering of the poor.

Life changes almost completely. Nights turns into days as most of the people stay the whole evenings awake doing things. Whatever they used to do during the day before Ramadhan is shifted to the night.

Although people suffer as they fast during the day, people are always happy in Ramadhan. Nights turn into a live hustle and bustle activity with people going out.

All in all, despite the slight differences in these customs, there are lots of common practices in many governorates of Yemen. Such customs should be preserved for they are part and parcel of our heritage.

However, the fact remains that Ramadhan is a holy and sacred month that comes to bestow a holy atmosphere and holy life among the people.

Despite the spread of information technology and other telecommunications that have flooded into our markets, Yemenis have been still desirous to perform religious rituals as well as customs during the Holy Month of Ramadhan. They have never got sidetracked by this technology revolution.

During the nights of Ramadhan, most of Yemenis find the Holy Month a great occasion that must be celebrated for gaining God's favor whether in performing His worships or holding partisan and political meetings to discuss Islamic, national as well as local issues that are of

key interest.

### Rituals

Performing religious rituals during the Holy Month here in Yemen falls into three categories:

The first category performs its religious rituals in mosques where they are taken as places for performing prayers and asking God in supplication.

The second category refers to performing religious rituals in mosques and then having nightly chats.

The third category refers to performing political activity among people in the society.

The first category includes persons who are versed in Islamic jurisprudence, the judiciary, mosque preachers, guidance and endowment clerics, students affiliated to Islamic religious institutes and the old people. This category also performs the five prayers in mosques.

Following the Night Prayer, this group takes a keen interest to perform collectively the Attraweeh prayers, (Nightly Prayers performed only during Ramadhan) in mosques. Then, they exchange turns in reciting the Holy Qura'an.

The second category considers the Holy Month of Ramadhan as an invigorating opportunity for worship as well as enjoying nightly chants with relatives and friends either for discussing their related issues or sometimes restricted to holding cultural programs in the form of forums.

The second category also includes a large portion of the cultured, youths as well as the unemployed.

The third category is represented by the Yemeni political parties both in the authority and the opposition where nightly political sessions are held with its affiliates whether in villages or cities. Different international, regional or local issues are discussed by this group.

Partisan leaderships take an interest

during the Holy Month of Ramadhan. They also take an interest in solving community-related issues through dialogues or restoring to arbitration and tribal norms for settling disputes.

### Village and city differences

Yemenis in villages have their own tastes in performing religious rituals or practicing their traditions and customs during a whole month-long fast which are quite different for people in the capital and other main cities.

This manifests itself in the way meals are prepared and cooked during the whole month of Ramadhan.

In villages for instance, Shafoot recipe, (breadcrumbs mixed with either soup or yogurt) is directly eaten after breaking one's fast.

While villagers are gathered in circle-like groups in mosques for breaking their fast. While in cities, people sometimes break their fast with Shurba, (meat soup mixed with wheat) for compensating the body with high energy.

Few youth villages follow TV series during the month-long fast. But some of youths in the capital prefer to go to Internet cafes or watch satellite channels during nights.

The Turkish Cannon boom has been still heard in the capital and other main cities during the breaking one's fast after the sunset or before the daybreak.

The Turkish Cannon as it has been called by most of the Yemenis is used as a signal for people to break their fast after the sunset or to refrain from eating and drinking before the daybreak.

Life in a month-long fast seems to be similar with regard to performing the religious rituals which prevails some of the Arab as well as the Islamic countries, but Yemenis still have their own traditions and customs which have been still handed down from one generation to another generation.

## A Yemen Times series on great Islam figures:

# Mohammed, the Prophet



By SULAIMAN M.  
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Muslims all over the world are glorifying God and asking him in supplication in the Month of the Holy Qura'an, the Month of Ramadhan.

The Holy Book, (Holy Qura'an) which was descended from heaven to Mohammed, Peace Be Upon Him, (PBUH) has come as a guidance to true Muslims asking for His forgiveness and repentance.

No writer or researcher and in any language could write or imitate verses of Holy Book that is descended to Mohamed, PBUH.

Mohammed, the prophet was sent to the people in the world as a guide in order to show them the true message from God; even if it is disagreed by polytheists.

The prophet Mohammed Bin Abdellah, PBUH, was a miracle in which nations were in need of him.

Before he was entrusted to give God's message, he was illiterate, but God made him well-spoken and eloquent, and therefore he was bestowed with celestial power to make people amiable and could gather together even those who opposed him.

People representing different nationalities in the world also believed in his message including Arabs, Persians, and Romans. Those people used to be humiliated by oppressors when calling for the new Islamic religion.

People followed him in crowds and thus the Kingdom of Heaven opened for him, and was bestowed the message of God, where no one in this universe has been given like him.

He told us about the formation of the heavens, the Earth, planets, stars, seas, jinn which appear in human or animal forms and influencing humankind for good or evil.

He also told us about the secrets of the soul, as it has been mentioned in the Holy Book as a confirmation to resurrection, doomsday, the talk of birds, ants and insects.

He founded the scale of justice on Earth and could make the Islamic nation equal before God in every time and place.

He will remain in our memories until the end of the world, the Last Judgment.

The prophet's biography is a guidance to true believers which has created the most intelligent geniuses who could leave behind them great changes, whether in world's history, or the present life, with their good behavior, and also could link the human's behavior to teachings of Islamic belief.

The world will not return to the Persian Empire, which killed the religion with their arguments. We will not also return to the reign of Magus or pagans or polytheists.

Minarets glorify God five times a day and mosques swarm with prayers and believers day and night.

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In the Holy Month of Ramadan, we raise our hands to God in supplication to resurrect us during Judgment Day.

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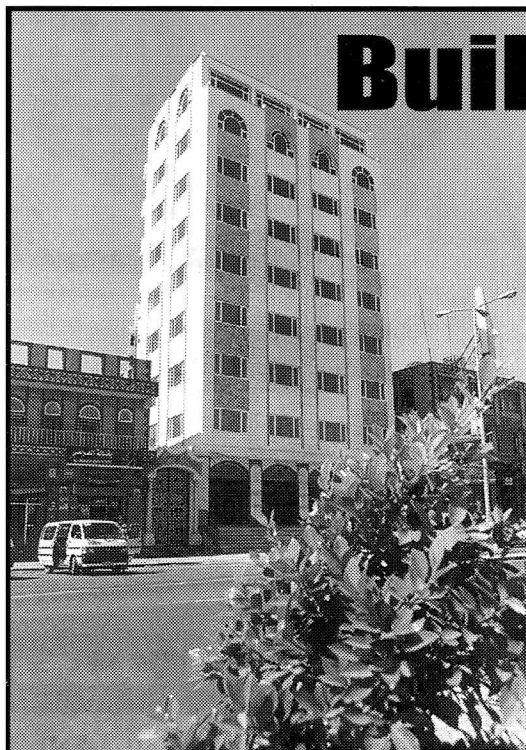
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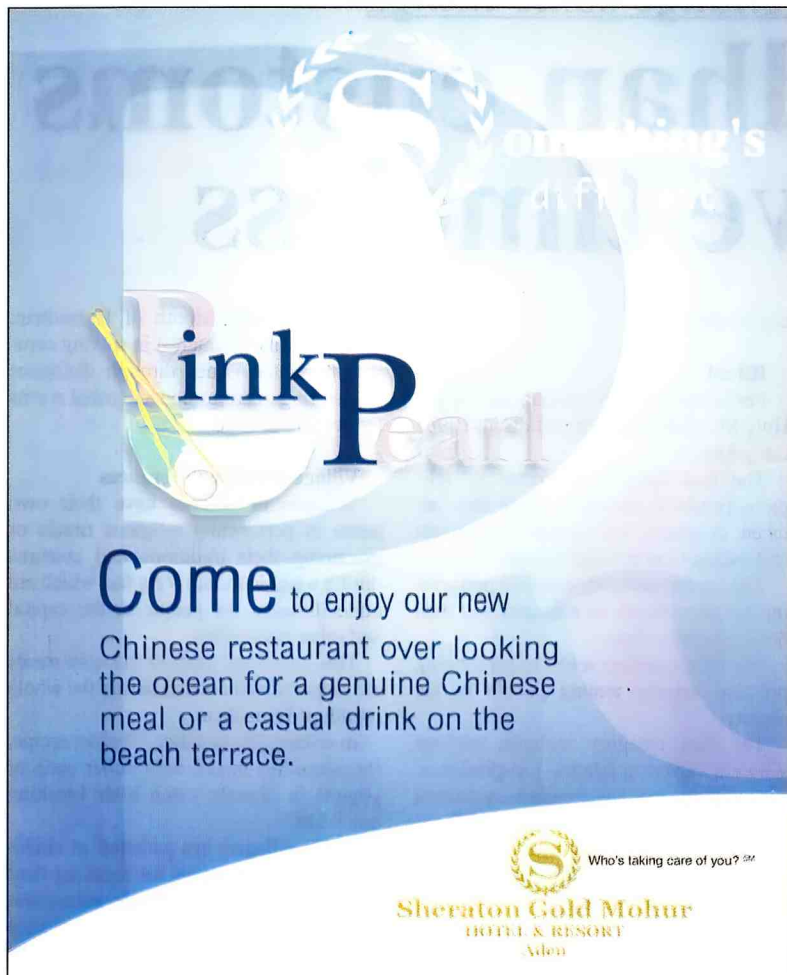
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## Mohamed Taha Hamoud & Co. celebrates

By Yasser Al-Mayyasi  
Yemen Times Staff

The Mohamed Taha Hamoud & Co. arranged an Iftar reception in Sanaa last Sunday to all its staffers and employees. The event marked the tremendous success witnessed by the company recently, especially after launching its Microsoft Business Solutions services.

Mohamed Taha Hamoud, the Managing Partner of the company along with Hisham M. Taha Hamoud, the Marketing and Public Relations Executive, gave statements on this occasion explaining the objectives and future plans of the company.

They stressed the modern methods used by the company to provide quality services to all customers, to match international standards in the field.

The company represents several international companies including Ernst & Young, which is the most popular company in the Middle East in accounting and administration.



A snapshot from the Iftar reception

Furthermore, the Microsoft Business Solutions applications have received great interest and satisfaction by clients throughout the country, especially as the company ensured that the services are of international standards and customers are always guaranteed to receive state-of-the-art technology with ease and flexibility through the product of the world's largest software company, Microsoft.

Ever since the Microsoft Business Solutions applications were introduced to the Yemen market, the overall performance in the commercial sector has improved. Yet the company's management believes that there is much more room for more development as the country's potential is incredibly high.

The company believes that many more companies will understand how such developed software solutions would bring them greater performance and market reach, and will enable them to compete on a larger scale.

## Aidroos new GM of Royal Concord Hotel



Aden - Mr. Aidroos Obeid has been recently appointed as the new General Manager of the Royal Concord Hotel in Aden.

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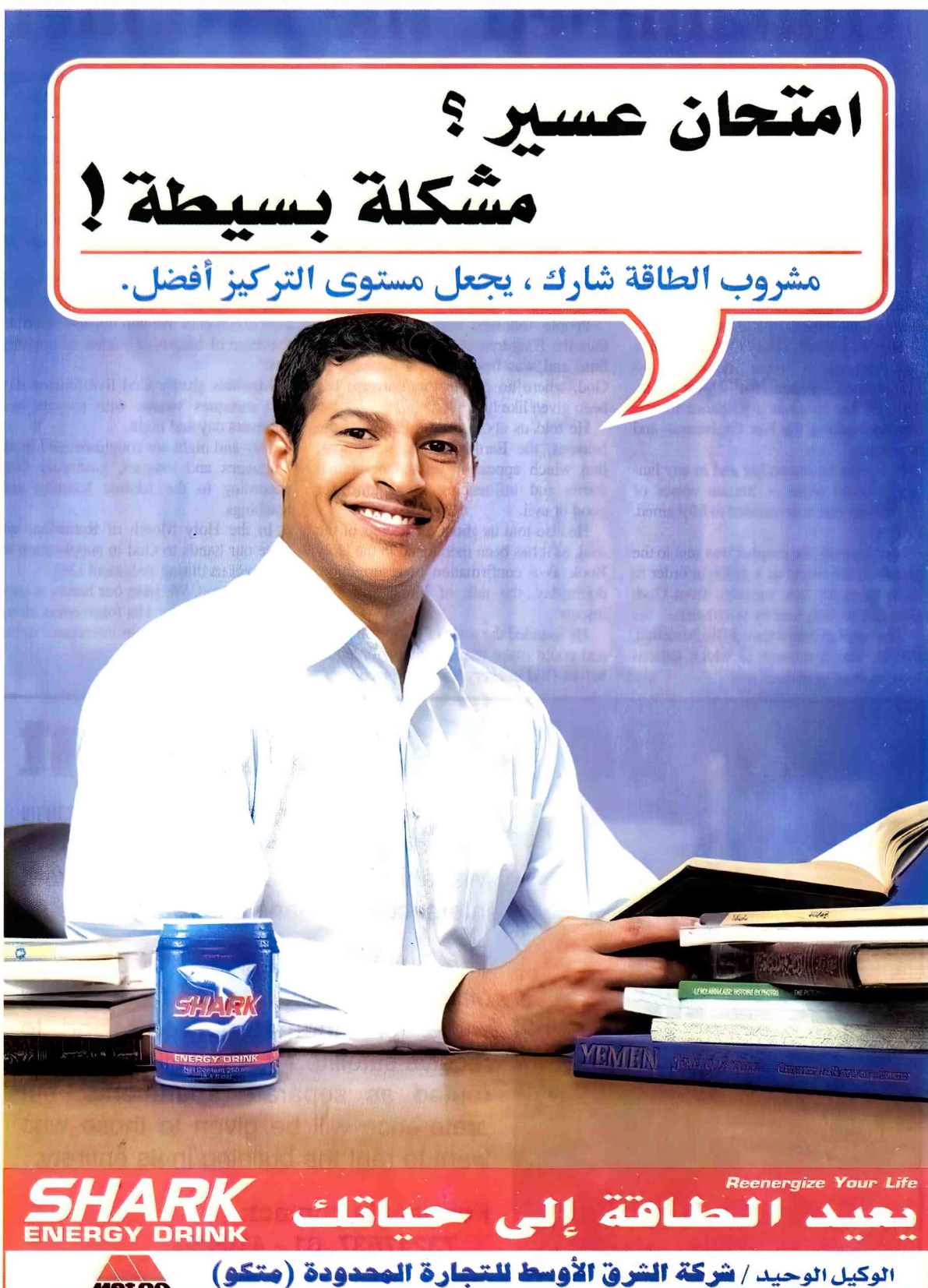
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## Khatami backs Iraq's Council



**Iraqi Governing Council President Jalal Talabani (L) meets with Iranian President Mohammad Khatami at Tehran's Saadabad Palace November 17. An Iraqi Governing Council delegation arrived in Tehran on Monday for talks on political and economic cooperation including Tehran's offer to help rebuild its war-torn neighbour through an energy swap. REUTERS**

TEHRAN, Nov 18 (Reuters) - Iran's President Mohammad Khatami was quoted on Tuesday as saying his country recognises Iraq's Governing Council, which the Islamic Republic had previously portrayed as a U.S.-installed puppet.

Often rebuked by Washington for meddling in postwar Iraq, Tehran also reassured a visiting Iraqi Governing Council delegation that it had not and would not interfere in its affairs.

"Iran recognises Iraq's Governing Council and believes that no country has the right to interfere in Iraq's state matters," newspapers quoted Khatami as saying.

Khatami's comments came during a two-day visit to Tehran by a 17-strong Iraqi Governing Council delegation led by the current Council president, Jalal Talabani.

Khatami stressed the importance of a full transfer of power in Iraq and called on Washington to fulfil its

promises and hand over authority to Iraqis as soon as possible.

U.S. officials announced last week that a sovereign Iraqi government would take over from occupation authorities by the end of June 2004.

"Establishing a government in Iraq is impossible except by respecting the Iraqi people's demands," Khatami said.

Iranian officials reiterated that Iraq's peace and stability was vital for the Middle East.

Washington has repeatedly accused Iran and Syria of letting foreign militants cross their borders into Iraq to fight U.S.

forces there, a charge Tehran and Damascus reject.

At a meeting on Tuesday with Talabani, an Iraqi Kurd, Iranian Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi said that "Tehran's policy is not to interfere in Iraq's internal affairs," the official IRNA news agency reported.

## Rain and tears mingle at funeral of Istanbul dead

ISTANBUL, Nov 18 (Reuters) - Huddled together in a drenching downpour, thousands of Jews and Muslims with tears mingling with the rain, clung together on Tuesday at the funeral of six Jews killed in suicide bomb attacks on two Istanbul synagogues.

A police helicopter flew overhead and guards searched what police estimated to be 3,000 mourners entering the cemetery where the rare gathering of faiths in the Middle East took place.

"This painful ceremony should have been held at the synagogue but the two synagogues that could have housed this many people have been destroyed," Turkey's chief rabbi Ishak Haleva said.

Some mourners still bore cuts and bruises on their faces.

"Throughout time, Jews have been victims of violence and massacres only because they are Jewish," the rabbi told the crowd.

"These attacks did not just target Jews. People of all faiths lost their lives and were harmed by these meaningless and inhuman attacks." The bombings on Saturday killed 25 and wounded 300, most of them Muslim passersby.

### Coffins wrapped in the flag

The dead were carried in coffins wrapped in the Turkish flag, an honour usually only reserved for dignitaries and soldiers or police.

The caskets were lowered into graves near the plot bearing the victims of a 1986 attack on one of the synagogues hit again on Saturday. In the earlier attack on Neve Shalom, 22 Jewish worshippers were killed.

Greek Orthodox Patriarch Bartholomeos I and Armenian Patriarch Mesrob Mutafyan, who are based in Istanbul, were among the mourners at the Ashkenazi Jewish Cemetery.

"The presence of Muslims, the patri-archs and others is a good symbol of the solidarity in Turkey. But what is important is what happens tomorrow,



**A Turkish Jewish woman cries over a Turkish flag-draped coffin during the funeral of the victims killed in the Istanbul Synagogue blast at the Turkish Jewish Ashkenazi Cemetery in Istanbul November 18. The dead toll has been raised to 25 and more than 250 injured in Saturdays devastating attacks on two Istanbul Synagogues by suicide bombers driving the van loaded by explosives. REUTERS**

what measures will be taken to stop further atrocities and anti-Semitism," Shimon Samuels, of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre Jewish rights group, told Reuters. "Anti-Semitism has collateral damage. This was an attempt to kill the fragile relations between Judaism and Islam," he said.

Muslim Turkey, a secular democracy straddling Europe and the Middle East, has long maintained good diplomatic and military relations with Israel. Its

tiny Jewish community of some 25,000 people are mainly the descendants of Sephardim expelled from Spain and Portugal in 1492 who were offered sanctuary by Ottoman Turks.

Yalcin, a Muslim who stood outside of the gates of the cemetery during the service, said he worried the remnants of a centuries-old community would now abandon Turkey.

"I came to express my condolences and my shame. That Turks could do

this to fellow Turks is an unbelievable thing," he said.

"Our Jewish citizens are among our most valuable. I worry now that Turkey has become too dangerous for them." A Jewish man who wept silently during prayers read in Hebrew said he now feared an ominous chapter had been opened in Turkey.

"This is a blow for our community but it is also a dark moment for Turkey," he said.

## Ambush kills two Israelis amid push for ceasefire

AL-KHADER, West Bank, Nov 18 (Reuters) - A Palestinian with an assault rifle hidden in a prayer mat killed two Israeli soldiers at a West Bank roadblock on Tuesday and fighting flared in the Gaza Strip, jarring fresh efforts to broker a ceasefire.

Despite the violence that splintered a relative calm, Israel told the United States at talks in Brussels that Prime Minister Ariel Sharon would meet Palestinian counterpart Ahmed Qurie next week to help revive a U.S.-engineered "road map" to peace.

Egyptian mediators would also proceed with talks with militant factions in Gaza on Wednesday on a truce proposal made by Cairo envoy Omar Suleiman to Qurie and Palestinian President Yasser Arafat on Monday, a senior Palestinian official said.

Aides to Qurie said he would go to Gaza too on Wednesday for more talks with mediators and possibly with Islamist militants.

The commander of Israeli forces in occupied West Bank areas said the Palestinian approached the checkpoint at a highway junction near Bethlehem just after daybreak and opened fire with an AK-47 rifle he had wrapped in a Muslim prayer rug.

"The only people he hit were two soldiers who were killed. The gunman managed to escape ..., probably to al-Khader (a nearby village)," said Brigadier General Gadi Aizenkot in remarks released by the army spokesman.

Israeli security sources said one of the soldiers was speaking to his mother by cellphone when he was shot from about 15 metres (50 ft). His mother heard three gunshots before

the line went dead, they said.

The army reimposed a strict blockade on the Bethlehem region and poured into al-Khader in a manhunt for the assailant.

Palestinian children angry at being unable to get to school hurled stones at soldiers, who dispersed them with tear gas.

In Gaza, Israeli forces swept overnight into the volatile Palestinian refugee camp of Rafah on the border with Egypt, sparking gunbattles with militants in which eight Palestinians were wounded, some of the civilians, medics and witnesses said.

Israeli forces demolished at least five houses, they said.

The army said it was rooting out more arms-smuggling tunnels used by militants waging a three-year-old uprising. Israel has razed over 1,200 homes in raids into Rafah over that time.

There was no initial claim of responsibility for the ambush, the first deadly militant strike since three soldiers were gunned down outside a Jewish settlement in Gaza three weeks ago.

### Uneasy restraint

Violence had abated as a new Palestinian cabinet under Qurie took office last week with a truce vow and Sharon seemed to heed calls for easing military pressure that has caused hardship for the Palestinian people and bolstered militants hostile to talks.

Sharon said during a visit to Italy on Monday that Israel would eschew further military action if there were no more Palestinian suicide bombings or other attacks, his aides said.

Qurie, a prominent moderate, urged



**A masked Palestinian gunman takes a position during exchange of fire between Palestinian gunmen and the Israeli army in the Rafah refugee camp in the southern part of Gaza strip on November 18, 2003. Israeli soldiers raided a refugee camp in the Rafah area, in a "preventive" operation, an Israeli army spokesman said and declined to elaborate. REUTERS**

Israel to stay the new course toward a ceasefire and high-level "road map" talks launched since his cabinet was sworn in and armed factions signalled that they might suspend attacks.

"The renewal of our contacts with the Israeli side is still at its initial stages. We're serious about achieving something from these contacts and we hope the Israelis are as serious as we are. I warn them against tactical (military) moves," he said.

After the ambush, Israel again accused Palestinian leaders of failing to rein in militants as mandated by the road map, which charts steps to a Palestinian state but has been held up for months by further violence or Palestinian power struggles.

Palestinian leaders say they can do little to subdue militants since most operate in areas under army occupation and any crackdown would risk civil war without an Israeli pullout.

## Oman celebrates Qaboos' assumption

BY YASSER AL-MAYASI  
YEMEN TIMES STAFF

Every year on November 18, the Sultanate of Oman celebrated the 33rd anniversary of His Majesty's assumption to power.

During his assumption, Oman has been progressing by leaps and pounds in vital constitutions.

"al-Nahda" or Renaissance Day, which is considered a turning point in Oman's modern history towards a promising future chaired by His Majesty, Sultan Qaboos bin Said.

In the early days al-Nahda's rule in Oman, efforts concentrated on building up Omani citizens and ensuring their basic services in the fields of health, education, road construction, airports, water resources, electricity service, and improving living conditions.

All these have been achieved in the course of five-year plans with the aim to transform Oman into a strong modern state that combines the flavors of both East and West.

In the area of housing, Oman provided for each and every Omani citizen a fully equipped modern house that meets the needs of the Omani family. Al-Nahda also provided loans and health care to families.

Oman has been recognized as a country which has made great development in advancing the health of its citizens in a short period of time, ranking Oman at the top of the world countries in this regard.

In the field of industry, the efforts of Oman has been directed towards building the large-scale industrial base, especially in the oil and gas sectors, which contribute and help in protecting the Omani national economy and developing it. Oil is Oman's main national income.



**Sultan Qaboos**

Since Sultan Qaboos of Oman assumed power in 1970, Oman's foreign relations have been characterized by principles of coexistence among peoples, promoting good relations with its neighbors, and at the international level.

### Yemeni-Omani Relations

The Yemeni-Omani relation is strongly rooted in the past. It was based on brotherhood and amicability under the two wise leaderships of Yemeni President, Ali Abdullah Saleh and Oman's Sultan Qaboos Bin Saeed. Yemen and Oman have reconciled their sea and land borders with each other. It should be kept in mind the positive role of the Omani leadership in supporting the Yemeni unification.



# Zimbabwe police detain union chiefs

HARARE, Nov 18 (Reuters) - Riot police detained Zimbabwe's main trade union leaders and some rights activists on Tuesday when they broke up a march called to protest against a deepening economic crisis.

The Zimbabwe Congress of Trade Unions (ZCTU) said around 50 of its members were detained in the capital Harare.

Unions have led protests against massive fuel-price rises as President Robert Mugabe's government wrestles with shortages of foreign exchange and domestic banknotes, unemployment and one of the world's highest rates of inflation, which topped 525 percent in October.

Hundreds of police, many with automatic rifles, took up positions across Harare ahead of the protest, called by the ZCTU ahead of the government's budget on Thursday.

About 100 people gathered in one of Harare's main streets, Julius Nyerere Way, but baton-wielding police dispersed their march after just a few metres (yards), a Reuters reporter saw.

Witnesses said police detained ZCTU leaders including secretary-general Wellington Chibebwe and president Lovemore Matombo as they tried to take part in the march.

Also held were academics Brian Raftopoulos and John Makumbe, both leading members of human rights group Crisis in Zimbabwe Coalition, Lovemore Madhuku of political pressure group National Constitutional Assembly (NCA) and Andrew Moysie,

co-ordinator of press watchdog Media Monitoring Project of Zimbabwe.

Police were not immediately available for comment.

The ZCTU said in a statement at least 50 union members and rights activists were arrested in Harare while "there are indications that several hundreds of people" had been detained in other parts of the country.

It was not immediately possible to verify if marches had taken place in other towns and cities.

"Before the march could begin police descended on the protesters and loaded them in four trucks and some of them were severely beaten," the ZCTU charged, adding some journalists from the private media were also assaulted by police at the scene.

The ZCTU said several of its provincial organisers had also been arrested ahead of the march, which the police had declared illegal under the country's tough security laws.

Mugabe's opponents accuse him of economic mismanagement and blame the country's woes partly on his land reforms, that saw white-owned commercial farms handed to landless blacks and violent farm occupations by Mugabe supporters.

Mugabe accuses opponents at home and abroad of sabotaging the economy.

Business groups say Finance Minister Herbert Murerwa must use the budget to tackle a foreign currency shortage and rampant inflation to pull the country back from the brink of collapse.



File Photo: An undated video grab image from a video smuggled out of Zimbabwe and shown at a press conference in London held by an organisation called the Zimbabwe Freedom Movement, on November 13, shows two masked men, ZFM national commander Charles Black Mamba and the group's Deputy National Commander Ntuthuko Fezela, speaking to the camera. Sitting in front of an adapted Zimbabwean flag at an unknown location, the men, whose words were spoken by actors, threatened to topple the Robert Mugabe regime by armed force. REUTERS

## Mbeki hails Chirac's role in Africa

PARIS, Nov 18 (Reuters) - South African leader Thabo Mbeki hailed French President Jacques Chirac for his commitment to Africa on Tuesday, after the two laid aside a row over South Africa's bid to host the 2010 soccer World Cup.

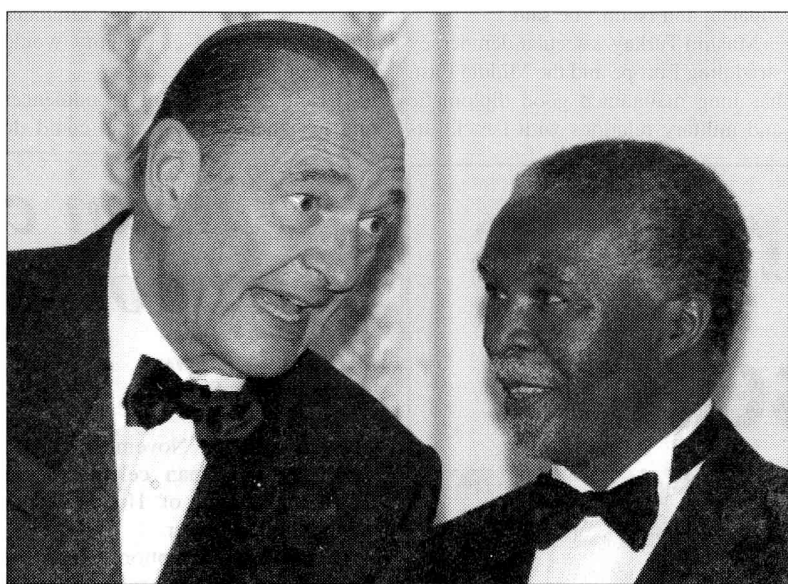
In a speech to the French parliament, Mbeki thanked Chirac for the French army's peacekeeping role in Ivory Coast and his support for the NEPAD development project for the continent.

Chirac, who last month openly backed a rival Moroccan bid to stage the World Cup, pledged late on Monday he would "take utmost account" of South Africa's cup ambitions.

"We would like to express our appreciation for everything the French government and people have done to help us find solutions to the problems that continue to afflict the Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)," Mbeki told the National Assembly lower house.

"I must express our deep appreciation for the G8 support for NEPAD and the important role of President Jacques Chirac in this regard," he added, according to the text of a speech held on the second of a three-day visit to France.

Chirac pushed for more progress on



South African President Thabo Mbeki (R) listens to French President Jacques Chirac before dinner at Elysee Palace, November 17, 2003. Mbeki arrived in Paris for a three days state visit. REUTERS

the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) at the June summit of the G8 top industrial nations hosted by France in Evian, and won a G8 pledge to speed up debt relief for the continent.

A 4,000-strong French contingent is bolstering the efforts of a smaller multi-

national African force to stop an escalation of the conflict in Ivory Coast, its war-divided former colony.

Its presence has provoked street riots involving pro-government militiamen who accuse some French troops of helping rebels who control half the country.

## Somalia neighbours urged to uphold ban of light arms

NAIROBI, Nov 18 (Reuters) - The United Nations on Tuesday urged states bordering Somalia, which U.N. experts say is used by al Qaeda fighters for training, to pass laws against breaking an arms embargo imposed on the Horn of Africa country.

The U.N. Security Council imposed the embargo in 1992, banning all acquisition and delivery of weapons and military equipment after the overthrow of former military ruler Mohammed Siad Barre in 1991 plunged the country into chaos.

The United Nations said it hoped enforcing it more vigorously would boost regional security and help peace talks.

"We believe that all countries in the region have a vested interest in stopping the violations of the embargo. We are talking to governments to encourage them to take necessary measures to implement the embargo," said Stefan Tafrov, chairman of a Security Council committee on the embargo.

Speaking at the end of a tour to Egypt and Somalia's neighbours Eritrea, Djibouti and Kenya, Tafrov said the committee was urging those countries to pass legislation to criminalise any breach.

The visit comes after a panel of U.N. experts investigating arms smuggling into Somalia said the country was used by al Qaeda fighters for arming and training.

Their report said at least four suspects of deadly attacks a year ago on an Israeli-owned resort and airliner in Kenya were still in Somalia.

In another apparent breach this month, a boat unloaded hundreds of military uniforms and tents at a Mogadishu port.

Lacking central authority after Barre's overthrow, rival warlords have carved Somalia into a patchwork of fiefdoms, defying 14 peace initiatives aimed at piecing the country of seven million people together.

## Indian forces battle Kashmir rebels near army HQ

SRINAGAR, India, Nov 18 (Reuters) - A fierce gunbattle between Indian soldiers and suspected rebels erupted in Kashmir's main city Srinagar on Tuesday, a witness said.

Some explosions were also heard. No further details were immediately available on the gunbattle, which broke out near the headquarters of the Indian army in Srinagar.

A little-known Kashmiri militant group, al-Mansurain, called newspaper offices in Srinagar, saying it had carried out the attack on a security post near the headquarters of the Indian army's 15th Corps.

Guerrillas fighting New Delhi's rule in the disputed territory have repeatedly

targeted the heavily guarded headquarters and, in a major attack in 1999, killed the army spokesman in his office.

The gunbattle erupted on the same day that the state government announced that militant violence had fallen since a new government took power last November promising to bring a "healing touch" to Kashmir.

A state government spokesman said the number of violent incidents were 16 percent less than in the previous 12 months.

The calculation, however, did not strip out the effect of an upsurge in violence ahead of last year's state elections.

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## EU and US agree to negotiate cargo security deal



European Union foreign policy chief Javier Solana (L) and U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell (R) address a joint newsconference after a meeting at the European Council building in Brussels Nov. 18. Powell clashed with the EU on Tuesday over Iran's nuclear programme, saying Washington was unhappy with a draft resolution proposed by the EU's three major powers. REUTERS

BRUSSELS, Nov 18 (Reuters) - The European Union and the United States have agreed to negotiate a deal to prevent cargo shipments being used as a cover for terror attacks, the EU said on Tuesday.

The agreement follows criticism by the EU's executive body last year of eight EU members for cutting bilateral deals allowing U.S. customs officials to inspect freight at their ports. The EU usually acts as a bloc in trade negotiations with the United States.

"An agreement with the United

States to include transport security cooperation within the scope of the EU-U.S. customs agreement was initiated," a European Commission statement said.

EU and U.S. officials will agree a detailed set of rules in the coming months to ensure consistency between U.S. and EU transport firms.

"The two sides should work together on a reciprocal basis to ensure cargo containers cannot be used as a means of furthering terrorist activities," Commission spokesman Jonathan

Todd told reporters.

Cargo containers packed with explosives have been touted as a possible delivery mechanism for future terrorist attacks.

Standardised pre-packed containers cut down loading times at ports, but their contents are rarely inspected.

Separately, Todd said negotiations with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security last week on EU air passengers' privacy rights had been useful. An agreement was still expected before the end of the year, he added.

## Italy halts to mourn victims of Iraqi attack

ROME, Nov 18 (Reuters) - Italy ground to a halt on Tuesday from the Alps to Sicily as the nation bade an emotional farewell to 19 Italians killed in Iraq in its worst military slaughter since World War Two.

"You took love to Iraq and they gave you back death," read the child's writing on one of hundreds of floral tributes — some formal, others impromptu arrangements from the back garden.

During the state funeral mass, a cardinal continued the theme, reminding the tearful congregation that Christians must love their enemies, even if they were "terrorist assassins".

Stores pulled down their shutters, traffic slowed and a minute's silence was observed in offices and schools, as President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi led the nation in mourning at St Paul's Basilica, Rome's second-largest church.

The capital's most famous landmark, the Colosseum, turned off the lights, staying shrouded in darkness to honour the dead.

At the mass, broadcast to millions live on television, were nearly all of the 20 Italians wounded in the Nassiriya strike.

One on crutches, another with an arm in plaster, all gazed on the 19 coffins, laid out on a red carpet before the altar.

"We will never forget you," muttered Federico Boi, one of the wounded.

A mother clutched her two now fatherless teenage daughters to her side as other relatives bent over the boxes, sobbing at the smiling photos



Sun shines down on 19 Italian coffins during a state funeral service at the Saint Paul's Basilica outside-the-walls in Rome Nov. 18. Thousands took to the streets in a national day of mourning as the bodies of the 17 soldiers and two civilians, who were killed in a deadly attack on a military base in Iraq last week, were blessed. REUTERS

of their loved ones, displayed on top along with military hats, swords and medals.

Seconds before the service started an elderly man went to the microphone and said in a distraught voice: "My God, my God, so much suffering for nothing."

Most Italians opposed the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq and many had mixed feelings about the subsequent deployment of some 2,700 Italian troops to the country once Baghdad had fallen.

However, last Wednesday's suicide attack on a Carabinieri military police barracks in the southern city of Nassiriya has united the nation in grief and Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi has vowed the Italian contingent will

remain in Iraq.

Berlusconi and other leaders gave the plush seats prepared for them to relatives of the dead.

And thousands of Italians outside the ornate basilica watched on screens as the names of the nation's new heroes were read out — from Alessandro to Stefano.

### Love your enemies

In his sermon, Cardinal Camillo Ruini, Pope John Paul's vicar for Rome, said not even "terrorist assassins" should make Christians deviate from the dictate to love their enemies.

"We won't run from them but face them with all our courage, energy and determination," he said.

# Vacancies Announcement

**For the execution of the project „Support of Yemen's Accession to the WTO“ funded by the European Commission, GTZ International Service (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH, International Services) will employ a team of 7 Yemeni experts for a duration of five years. The posts are described as follows:**

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- Conduct on-the-job training and backstopping for other local personnel;
- Oversee the publication and distribution of the CCO-WTO NEWSLETTER;
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- Proven excellent research skills in both Arabic and English

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#### Qualifications and Profile:

- University graduate, ideally with post-graduate degree in MBA, Economics, Foreign Trade, International Law or related field;
- Ideally practical and/or theoretical experience in Yemen's import and/or export trade, relating to more than one commodity, preferably including knowledge of the agricultural and fisheries sectors;
- Proven understanding of Yemen's import/export regime (laws, regulations, policy, economics);
- Understanding of WTO agreements relating to trade in goods (GATT1994);
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in both Arabic and English; and
- Proven excellent research skills in both Arabic and English

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- Proven understanding of Yemen's services regimes (laws, regulations, policy, economics);
- Understanding of the GATS;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in both Arabic and English; and
- Proven excellent research skills in both Arabic and English.

#### Description of Work:

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- Yemeni Nationals of suitable qualification are invited to present their application both in Arabic and in English prior to 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2003, to

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## Words of Wisdom



One of the most important indicators of a new spirit and new system in Yemen is the degree of respect for the law.  
In this country, law enforcement is something unimportant.  
Not only that, but the law is more than not violated by the very people who should enforce it or at least who serve as role models for the public.  
Thus, law has lost much of its prestige.

Prof. Abdulaziz Al-Saqqaf, (1951-1999)  
Founder of Yemen Times

OUR  
OPINIONAn initiative  
for dialogue

Looking at what is going on in Iraq right now makes me want to start a dialogue to clarify to those who still support the war my point of view, which I am sure matches many who are opposed to this war.

I will be glad to publish feedback and comments in our 'letters to the editor' pages. I have been encouraged to start this initiative because I receive so many letters and emails from readers all over the world focusing on this particular issue.

I will start this exciting new initiative with a series of editorials, starting this week. I will first of all argue why any occupation, no matter where it is, cannot bring democracy.

My second piece will be on why the USA is expected to fail in Iraq.

My third editorial would be focused on the consequences for the American people and on the USA in general.

The fourth and final editorial would be an attempt to conclude and learn a lesson from all that happened since 911 and until the USA withdraws from Iraq, if it ever will.

## Occupation can't bring democracy

Let us take it from the very basics. No one wants to be occupied. There are no 'good' or 'bad' occupiers. For the occupied, all occupiers are damn bad.

Even if occupiers think they are doing good, they will always be bad in the eyes of the people of the occupied territory. Hence, it is obvious that Iraqis will not like Americans. Having hated Saddam does not necessarily mean they like the USA. They both can be hated, particularly when people realize that just before 1990, the brutal Iraqi regime was a close ally of the USA.

Another thing we need to realize is that no matter how 'Fox News' or any other so called 'patriotic' channel tries to convince Americans and the world that America's main cause was for liberating Iraqis, it will prove to be nonsense to all who differentiate between normal and abnormal. The USA has its interests and it should not send troops and invade another country unless there is absolutely need to do so.

The first justification that proved to be absolutely rubbish is that Iraq was a threat to the world, and in particular to the USA because of his 'WMDs'. After this failed to be the case, the US administration shifted to 'liberation' and bringing freedom and democracy from the 'free world' to the oppressed people of Iraq. This is also nonsense because the USA is not an angel, and cannot go on freeing any country just because it is living in a dictatorship.

Then we come to the question: Why go all this way and lose so many people and money? I don't want to give an exact answer, because I may be unjust in my conclusions if I say it was just for oil, or to divert attention of the American public from the internal US economic scandals and problems. All I would say is that the real reason needs to be investigated, and if taxpayers who paid for this war with their money and lives are not interested to know, who will be?

Then we come to the optimistic Bush scenario of things in Iraq: Iraqis will be happy and a democratic government will be elected. This government, unlike the earlier ones, will not be hostile to the USA, and hence will enable it to gain all the money spent on Iraq back in terms of oil or contracts to rebuild the country.

Well, if this assumption is right, then that assumes that Iraqis love the USA and would elect a government that is friendly to the USA. Let me cut this sentence here by just quoting a story from UK-based international news network Reuters, which is just one of so many similar news items broadcast even on CNN:

"Iraqi teenagers cheer as American blood flows: If Washington doubts there is Iraqi public support for guerrillas killing its troops, it should consider the teenagers who happily watched American blood spill on Wednesday... 'This is good. If they ask me, I will join the resistance. The Americans have to die,' said Ali Qais, 15."

So, as can be seen, Iraqis want Americans slaughtered and not just wounded. "Teenage boys were irritated to hear that two American soldiers were just wounded, not killed."

So this means that in truly democratic elections, any puppet government cannot be brought to power against the Iraqi people's will.

To be continued next week:

Why the USA will fail in Iraq

The Editor

## Ambassador links security with development

Positive steps by  
US embassy should  
be encouraged

By HASSAN AL-ZAIDI

"Oh! How terrible!" is an expression used as an exclamation of surprise and pain uttered by foreign visitors heading to Marib and al-Jawf governorate.

At first sight, a visitor will be amazed by deteriorating health, social, and educational conditions undergone by the people there.

Inhabitants of those two governorates live in a land considered to be one of the most significant and historical sites in the world.

This is because it is bestowed with rich archaeological treasures as well as a rich spot for oil production.

In addition to this, the two governorates have fertility of soil, and availability of water resources. They have been termed by our forefathers "The Land of The Two Paradises" mentioned in the verses of the Holy Qura'an.

So many vital projects are in need to be implemented. Life there has been still difficult. No paved roads have been yet established and no hospitals or scientific institutes have been built.

Amid the state's ignorance and silence of political parties, endless sufferings are undergone by the inhabitants of those two governorates.

Only saturation media coverage about kidnapping incidents, tribal killings and disputes are reported by local reporters. Nothing has been reported about health or education needs.

In fields such as education, agriculture, and health, the US Ambassador to Yemen, Edmund Hull has done a

praiseworthy work to alleviate trial and tribulations as well as the horrible conditions of inhabitants of al-Jawf and Marib. Thank you so much for that!

Promises have been taken and actions have been spoken by him more than words.

Developmental projects have been officially inaugurated and among those projects is the President's Hospital in Marib. It not of course a foundation stone that has been laid for political purposes such as an election campaign or the like.

Perhaps, I can say here that the US ambassador to Yemen has been heading to those governorates to foundations, as it has been reported by some media reports that his visits need skepticism.

I must say and confirm here that I'm not defending the US ambassador from being an out-of-town visitor or for the policy of his country.

I only say that for defending the tribesmen of those areas against the view that the US ambassador has not come to drive a hard bargain with them, to explode an oil pipeline, or conspire against smuggling antiquities of this great country. No!

I reiterate that the US ambassador hasn't come to those areas with an armored combat tank or military vehicles to track down terror masterminds such as, Abu Ali or Abu Asem.

In my view, the US ambassador Hull has a desire to visit Marib or governorate after he had received information and reports by some political leaderships or parties and some other officials describing those areas as a safe haven for terrorists and fertile hideout for them to grow and prosper.

Now, Hull has already visited those

areas and was astounded to see the harsh reality there as well as poverty of its inhabitants.

He has been fully aware of the security conditions and the urgent need for rendering further developmental projects. We hear him always reiterating that "No security is without development and no development is without security."

He also realized the necessity for a real development for the benefit of inhalations and tribes in those areas.

In his speeches delivered, he placed an emphasis that those deprived areas will gain a proper and secure life.

We in this case oppose and condemn the US double policy in the Middle East but at the same time, we don't oppose the US ambassador for the same reason.

We don't oppose his visit to those areas for rendering developmental projects or laying foundation stones.

His visits are positive and great. We thank him for this and congratulate him on paying a special attention for the deprived people.

Opposition papers must first of all criticize the government for turning a blind eye to those areas.

At the same time, whoever assists the area, even if it is the US embassy, should be appreciated and encouraged to continue.

We need to understand that politics need not be mixed with assistant programs for development. I personally do disagree with US policies in Iraq and elsewhere, but when it comes to assistance programs such as those in MAreb -and hopefully in many other areas-, one needs to express appreciation and gratitude.

This is why I thank the ambassador once again, and wish him to continue.



## A no-win scenario

Well, it appears that the Bush administration is going to pull an "Iraqification" on us, which means that we pull out as many troops as we can as soon as we can.

Bush looks good for bringing the troops home while back in Iraq, the resistance fighters, who are the sort of people who bomb Red Cross centers, (that's only one step above attacking the Mother Teresa center for cute children and puppies), continue.

So the resistance fighters take over and one of two things happen:

1. They are lead by Saddam Hussein
2. They are independent.

If the answer is 1, then we are back where we started,

except for having spent billions of dollars, thousands of lives and trashing our international reputation.

If the answer is 2, then we are even worse off than where we started, with Iraq turning into another Afghanistan, a festering center of anti-U.S. Hatred, except in this case it is justifiable.

Ironically, none of these scenarios will lead to getting Iraqi oil, which should make the protesters happy, because instead of trading "Blood for Oil," we will simply have scattered blood around for the hell of it.

Sam Deg  
USA

## Looking for a sponsors

I'm a Cuban doctor who worked in Yemen for two

years and I have carried a research with henna and made an ointment against certain type of skin viruses. I would like to find a sponsor from Yemen or any official institution which want to collaborate, and the results will be shared.

I would be very thankful if you can publish this letter in your newspaper so anybody interested in your country could assist.

Mrs. Dr. Maria Campos  
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## USA is truly stuck

Anyone watching TV news programs and looking at the panic in the faces and voices of US military and official spokesmen can easily realize that the USA is now in truly deep trouble in Iraq.

The US is struck in an adventure it thought would turn to be a fascinating one, but which turned to a deadly and unpredictable long war with an unknown enemy that is nowhere and everywhere.

The US administration is to blame for what it has caused to the reputation and lives of those who served in the army with the illusion that they would be cheered and greeted in Iraq for 'liberating' from its tyranny.

But today, they find another reality.

I just hope the consequences will not be so severe on the soldiers who are only acting upon orders from unwise military hawks that should pay the price for what is happening.

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Islam &  
Istanbul  
bombings

Any action that involves the spilling of the blood of any human beings, especially when outside the realm of conditions of normal face to face combat, would render the perpetrators of such actions as violators of genuine Islamic ordinances. This is one of the important fundamental principles in Islam. Any violation thereto, for any reasons whatsoever, is a criminal act of the highest degree. Thus, any association of the careless and savage bombings in Istanbul last week with Islam must be viewed as both heresy and a clear disservice to Islam or to any Islamic cause. Any bona-fide faithful Moslem is bound to see it accordingly and will surely deplore the atrocious attacks and insist that the attack was instigated by clandestine elements that work under the directions of the enemies of Islam, who were behind these attacks with devious intentions, of which Islam is completely innocent. Those who carried out the attack have no right to call themselves Moslems or to suggest that they did it in the cause of Islam.

The position of Islam on the barbaric attacks in Istanbul is manifested by clear Islamic rulings and historical precedence that totally disassociate Islam from such heinous acts. Islam is well known for the high value placed on human life. Yet these sadists took it upon themselves to murder 19 innocent unarmed Moslems, who were most likely fasting and 5 Jews in their house of worship, during the Holy Month of Ramadhan - the Month of Peace, and want us to believe that this mad bloodshed is in service to Islam?

Nothing is further than the truth. First of all how could the killing of 19 innocent fasting Moslems be justified by the killing of five non-Moslems, who are under the obligatory protection of the Moslems and thus the perpetration of a double crime, by all Islamic terms? This is sheer insanity, especially when considering that there is no state of war existing between the Moslems and the non-Moslem victims of this abominable crime. Second of all, it is the ordained duty of Moslems to protect all non-Moslems living in their domain from all undue harm, even from non-Moslems and to assume the protection of the property and houses of worship of the latter.

In this context, the sadists behind this attack are in obvious debasement of clear Islamic laws and are to be regarded and dealt with as criminals, accountable to the Ummah (Nation) and to God by all counts. One is at a loss to see, how can Moslems (if they call themselves as such) condone such fundamental Islamic principles and allow themselves to become tools of the enemies of Islam and at the same time try to convince the rest of the faithful that they are pursuing the interests of Islam? What a horrendous corruption of genuine Islamic dogma. Isn't it enough the appalling situation the Moslem World is undergoing, no thanks to the activities of these evil intentioned nincompoops and their misguided representations of Islamic behavior and practice and the havoc that they have caused in every Moslem state.

With respect to precedence, we only have to look at the conduct of the Pious Caliph, Omar Ibn Al-Khattab (the Second ruling successor after the Prophet Mohammed, PAUH), when he visited Jerusalem after its liberation from Byzantine rule. When the head of the Christian Church of the Ascension invited Omar to enter the Church and pray inside if he liked, the conscientious Omar replied negative in all politeness, because he did not want to set a precedence for any future ruler, who might want to violate the sanctity of the houses of worship of followers of other religions that have chosen to remain under the just and tolerant rule of Islam. There is nothing that prevented Omar from accepting the invitation or from praying in a house of worship of the "People of the Book" (Jews and Christians) since they are all believers in the same God and Scriptures, but he wanted to set a clear precedence to ensure the maximum level of sanctity of the houses of Worship of non-Moslems living in Islamic domains.

As far as the Istanbul bombings go, many Moslems are quick to allude Zionist interests as being behind the heinous crimes. They first point out the obvious increase in opposition and criticism of the hostile policies of Ariel Sharon in the Holy Land, not just outside Israel, but even within the ruling establishment in Israel itself. In addition there is the voluntary undeclared one-sided truce by the Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza (for two months now), whereas the Zionist thugs of Sharon continue their business as usual activities of incursions, tree uprooting and destruction of Palestinian homes and other violations of human rights (including banning Moslem worshippers from entering their houses of worship).

With little care given to the claims of "anti-Semitism" as continuously suggested by people like Thomas Friedman to the European and other opposition to Israeli policies, the Zionists, as some analysts suggest, were prone to revert to the theme of the "ends justify the means", in order to scare Jews of the world and to rejuvenate the "anti-Semitism" theme to its prominent level as an excuse for Zionist crimes in the Holy Land. Accordingly, the international Zionist establishment was keen on instigating this crime. This is strongly supported by the fact that no Moslem in his right mind could ever condone such crimes, because in Islam it is absolute that the "ends never justify the means", which is a theme far outside of Islamic dogma and practice.



# US politics at war

By CYNTHIA TUCKER

Paul Bremer was abruptly summoned from his bunker in Iraq to explain why things are going so poorly. Back in Baghdad, Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez ditched the rosy rhetoric and used the word "war" to describe the escalating attacks that are killing and maiming his troops. Aides to the general said he was trying to inject realism into the debate back in Washington.

President Bush had already sunk to pointing fingers at war-weary sailors, blaming them for his ill-timed "Mission Accomplished" banner. (Can you imagine the outcry if Bill Clinton had blamed rank-and-file troops for his political gaffe?)

This is the mess we find ourselves in six months after the president pranced about in a flight suit on the deck of the USS Abraham Lincoln: American-led coalition forces sustained 122 combat-related deaths before May 1 — the day Bush declared major combat operations over — but more than 180 deaths since then; a leaked CIA report contends that a majority of Iraqis now view U.S. soldiers as occupiers rather than liberators; the CIA also fears that Shiite Muslims, who were harshly oppressed by Saddam Hussein, may soon join Sunnis in attacks against coalition forces.

And, of course, presidential elections will be held a year from now. Thus, the

panic that engulfs the president's men.

Since Bush is as much a politician as any of his predecessors, willing to put polls over principles, he is starting to put together a hasty plan to withdraw U.S. forces from Iraq as quickly as possible. (The latest Wall Street Journal poll shows 43 percent of Americans saying they'd probably vote for Bush next year, versus 40 percent saying they'd support the Democrat. That's practically a tie.)

Bush has already hidden the body bags. Just before the invasion, the Pentagon banned news coverage and photography of the arrival of the coffins of dead soldiers. The president also skips military funerals. This is the measure of his leadership: He refuses to give the American public a realistic idea of the sacrifices required in war.

Next year's election season could easily feature a battle of promises over who can withdraw troops fastest — Bush or his Democratic opponent.

That would be ruinous. The U.S. needs to keep 100,000 or so troops in Iraq for two to five years to bring about a modicum of stability. Any less a commitment will surrender Iraq to an anarchy that would make us long for Saddam Hussein. This war has already been too much a political exercise. The invasion was a disastrous idea based on deceit and dissembling — a trumped-up cause to satisfy the imperial cravings of a bunch of powerful men. After the White House hyped the threat posed by Saddam, Democrats

cravenly fell in line because of their own short-term political calculations.

But now that the U.S. has destabilized Iraq, it would be unconscionable to leave prematurely in the hope of winning a few votes. An Iraq without a stable government would lapse into a multifaceted civil war — the perfect launching pad for al-Qaida.

(Bush's sudden interest in getting an Iraqi government in place quickly — and getting our troops out — is replete with irony and cynicism. One of the reasons we're in this war is that Dick Cheney wanted to defeat the ghosts of Vietnam — a war he couldn't be bothered to fight in because he had "other priorities" — and prove that the U.S. was big and bad once again. Wouldn't a premature retreat just be another version of Vietnam syndrome?)

The Democratic field of presidential candidates has so far found its surest footing in attacking Bush on the war, even though several of the candidates voted to support it. If Howard Dean ends up the nominee, it's hard to imagine that he would resist efforts to bring American soldiers home quickly.

But these shallow political calculations could easily lead to calamity. If we clear out too soon, we may be setting the stage for Armageddon in the Middle East before 2008. And we'll be sending a message to hundreds of American families that their sons and daughters died for nothing.

## Make room for alternatives to achieve Iraqi self-rule

EDITORIAL  
USA TODAY

Last July, U.S. officials in Iraq appointed 25 members to an Iraqi Governing Council amid euphoric predictions that it would quickly put in place vital building blocks of democracy, from a constitution to elections.

This week, the euphoria is gone. President Bush called a hasty "war Cabinet" meeting Wednesday to confront the hard reality that the Governing Council isn't governing. It doesn't represent ordinary Iraqis, many members fear anti-U.S. guerrillas will target them if they play visible roles, and some spend little time in Iraq.

Yet, getting an Iraqi government up and running as early as possible is not only in the interest of the Iraqi people but also critical to U.S. plans for an eventual pull-out of troops.

After the Washington talks, Iraq's U.S. administrator, Paul Bremer, is back in Baghdad pushing the council to speed a transfer of power to Iraqi self-rule.

One plan immediately would form a transitional government, possibly headed by a small group or one person to replace the council's system of a rotating presidency. Other ideas include holding elections early next year and putting off the divisive issue of writing a constitution that will define the nation.

While the setbacks to self-rule are discouraging, they are to be expected in a country with no tradition of democratic life. Power was wielded by Saddam Hussein and his minority Sunni Muslims; they kept a tight rein on the government. Transforming Iraq into a town-hall democracy can't happen overnight.

America's own rocky path to democracy provides some perspective about the challenges involved in molding diverse populations into a nation whose citizens share a common identity. And its ultimate success offers a hint of how obstacles can

be met.

Even though the colonists had a stronger tradition of democracy than the people of Iraq, six years elapsed after the end of the Revolutionary War before leaders met in Philadelphia to form a central government. The Constitution was opposed by many states that valued their sovereignty. Fits and starts threatened national unity, as New England states nearly seceded in opposition to the war in 1812, and 11 Southern states separated from the U.S. in the Civil War.

The fact that the U.S. survived these fundamental threats is a testament to its ability to unite around a common vision and values that citizens defined for themselves.

The American experience suggests much of Iraq's future as a functioning democracy depends on Iraqis' ability to do the same thing. That's why the failure of Iraq's Governing Council is such a bitter disappointment. Yet while democracy can't be forced on unwilling people, the U.S. could do more to build a fertile foundation, such as provide:

• Better security. As long as Iraqis don't feel safe from attacks by followers of Saddam, they will be reluctant to help the U.S. set up a government. So far, U.S. troops have shouldered most of the burden for providing security.

Another option is to adopt a plan like that deployed in Afghanistan, where NATO forces provide security so U.S. troops can concentrate on squashing resistance by loyalists of the ousted Taliban regime.

A transitional government also could be allowed to form its own security forces, a move that would enhance the government's authority and aid the U.S. hunt for Iraqi insurgents.

• Better self-rule. The council was picked by the U.S. to reflect Iraq's diverse ethnic and religious groups. One member compared them to players from different soccer clubs assigned to a World Cup team. But the squad hasn't agreed on a

committee to draft a constitution, despite a United Nations deadline of Dec. 15. And since more than one-third of the members are former exiles, many view the council as illegitimate.

Afghanistan points to another approach that could give Iraqis a more direct investment and interest in a new government.

A traditional council of delegates from across Afghanistan selected a president and Cabinet ministers in June 2002, seven months after U.S. forces routed the Taliban. That gave the government more legitimacy than a council picked by outsiders. While the leaders still face opposition from powerful warlords, they wrote a constitution to be voted on next month and plan elections next year.

Iraqi council members say they have accomplished much but are constrained by U.S. officials' failure to give them more power and provide greater security. One council member was gunned down last summer.

Many of the tensions between the council and the U.S. boil down to a chicken-and-egg dilemma. Iraq must be secured before a new government can take root.

Turning the nation over to Iraqis before Saddam and his supporters are gone invites failure that would reverberate throughout the Middle East. But the longer Iraq goes without self-government, the more likely the U.S. will occupy the country for the long haul.

This week's meetings in Washington recognized the current system isn't working. Indeed, Bush, who had favored a go-slow transfer of power, now sees the value of an accelerated timetable for self-rule.

The challenge for the U.S. is identifying how to secure Iraq and then retreat in a way that enables Iraqis to form their own, stable government, even if it means making - and correcting - their own mistakes.

Even the U.S. experiment with democracy needed a long period of trial and error to find the right formula.

SKETCHED OPINION



BY SAMER A.

## Afghan road to ruin

By TED RALL

It only takes an hour to develop a profound understanding of why one of Afghanistan's top priorities is road-building. My November 2001 trip from the border with Tajikistan to the capital of Takhar province, a little over a hundred miles long, would take about an hour and a half in the United States. But most of this back-breaking, bone-crushing ordeal is spent pounding tire ruts and rocks across a liberally-mined desert that shows no sign of ever having been paved. The bridges have been blown up by Soviet, mujahedeen, Taliban, Northern Alliance or American armies. Motorists are forced to ford a full-fledged, five-foot deep river, two large creeks and an uncountable number of axle-shattering gaps in the road. For a few hundred thousand crisp Afghanis, local entrepreneurs improvise bridges out of dead tree limbs to support each vehicle for the few seconds needed to cross these abysses.

Some 15 hours after we set out from the Pyanj River border outpost, my convoy rolled into Taloqan. We'd ducked bandits, U.S. warplanes and rampaging militiamen to get there, but the road itself had been the worst obstacle. It took four days to shake the ringing in my ears, the result of syncope, whiplash and hundreds of serial concussions as my skull smacked into the roof of my rented truck. No wonder you hardly ever saw other people moving between isolated villages.

With an average per capita annual income of \$200, Afghanistan's economy is in ruins. Even if exports of products like hand-woven carpets, jewelry, rubies, pomegranates and modest oil reserves were to return to prewar levels of the 1960s, it would be impossible to generate the \$45 billion Karzai estimates will be needed to build modern-quality infrastructure. Afghanistan's

future was sealed by two factors: its paucity of natural resources and its role as a mountainous buffer state between czarist Russian and British India. People, goods and services traveling overland between Central and South Asia have always had to pass through Afghanistan—and they've paid for the privilege. If Afghanistan is to become economically viable without exporting heroin or remaining in a state of permanent war, it must reprise its role as Asia's most ferocious collectors of tolls and tariffs.

The Asian Development Bank's \$3 billion Trans-Afghanistan Pipeline (TAP) project, which would carry Caspian Sea natural gas from fields in Turkmenistan across Afghanistan to a Pakistani port on the Indian Ocean, is one attempt to revive the fabled Silk Road. According to Turkmen officials, Afghans would receive eight percent of revenues in the form of transit fees. But pipelines need service roads. TAP would run alongside the Herat-to-Kandahar highway, so the American and Saudi governments have committed \$180 million of the estimated \$250 million needed to pave it.

Afghans will tell you that, along with the need for security, running water and electricity, roads are on top of their wish list. Well-maintained roads would allow Afghans to make money the old-fashioned way—by taking a cut on the stuff they move around. Roads would also mitigate the security problem, reducing the power of regional warlords by making outlying provinces more accessible to the central government forces currently trapped in Kabul. Divided by religious, political and tribal fissures, Afghanistan doesn't stand a chance of becoming a unified or centralized nation-state without a high-quality lattice of asphalt linking and pulling together its disparate nether regions.

At present, Afghanistan, a Texas-sized nation of 17 million people, has

only five marginally paved highways totaling 1,675 miles. (Texas has 79,185.) The Wakhan Corridor, the finger-shaped province that connects northeastern Afghanistan to China, doesn't even have a single dirt road to its name. In most areas, a road like the one I took to Taloqan is as good as it gets. But only one road in Afghanistan will host a multi-billion energy pipeline—and it looks like that's the only one we're going to pave.

Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage recently asked Congress for \$1.14 billion for Afghan aid—just 10 to 20 percent of the \$5 to \$10 billion most conservative experts believe is needed. But, according to CARE Afghanistan, only 40 percent of the money is slated for long-term development. \$420 million would "bolster efforts at training national Afghan police and armed forces while demobilizing local militias"—in other words, bribing warlords to swear fealty to the central government in Kabul. \$104 million would finance elections, \$140 million would pay for border patrols, \$60 million would rehab the U.S. embassy, and \$35 million would go to "the presidential protective detail"—Karzai's equivalent of the Secret Service.

Meanwhile, ordinary Afghans have seen no meaningful improvement in their lives. Reshad, a 19-year-old whose father works for the Afghan Finance Ministry, told The Washington Post that his family hadn't gotten a paycheck in months. "We sold the carpets and the refrigerator," he said. "Now we'll borrow money to live. Finally, we'll have to start stealing something to eat. We'll join the Taliban just to support our family. If they give us money, we'll join them."

He may want to rethink that plan. Taliban-held provinces, after all, are at least a hundred miles away from Kabul. Who wants to deal with those atrocious roads?

## 9/11-Probe politics

EDITORIAL  
NEW YORK POST

After several months of negotiations, plus a few unseemly public threats, the federal commission investigating the events of 9/11 has reached agreement with the White House for access to some of the nation's most classified intelligence briefings.

This is a dramatic concession by the Bush administration: For the first time, outsiders will be allowed to read daily briefing material meant for only the president and a tiny handful of top officials.

Reaching a deal on this vital issue will allow the commission to move forward - while removing any grounds for critics to charge "coverup" after it reaches its final conclusions.

But that's not enough for some of the commission's more partisan Democrats, not to mention the ever-harder-to-satisfy coalition of victims' relatives. Among those who think the

agreement is a sellout is former Georgia Sen. Max Cleland, who has vowed vengeance on the White House for the election that cost him his seat last year. Cleland has already charged publicly that "this government knew a whole lot more about these terrorists before Sept. 11th than it has ever admitted."

So much for impartial investigators.

Under the deal, two members of the ostensibly bipartisan commission will have full access to all documents; two others will be allowed to read those briefings deemed relevant by the White House.

Commission Chairman Tom Kean, who just weeks ago was threatening to paper Washington with subpoenas, says he's satisfied. So is Commissioner Richard Ben-Veniste, a former Watergate prosecutor who can hardly be considered a GOP lapdog.

But Cleland is crying foul; so is former Rep. Tim Roemer, also a Democrat. And the Family Steering Committee - which has already made clear that it won't be satisfied unless

someone other than Osama bin Laden is blamed for the 9/11 attacks - is demanding to see "the full, official and final written agreement."

President Bush was right to approach this matter cautiously for fear of the precedents that are being set here. He's also right to warn that "the writers of the Presidential Daily Brief [must] feel comfortable that the documents will never be politicized and/or unnecessarily exposed for public purview." Yes, 9/11 was unusual - and the need for a thorough reckoning of the failures that permitted it is vital. But, again, that's why the deal, which the Bush folks say they can live with, is fortunate.

Unfortunately, the critics will never be happy, and some commission members are only interested in a politicizing the process, anyway. That has pitted the search for an honest evaluation of the pre-9/11 intelligence and policy failures against the search to skewer the president. On a matter as important as this, Americans have a right to expect better.



## President's prize winner is leader in abstract art:

# Art is window of soul

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**W**aleed Saeed Mohamed Dallah, a pioneering Yemeni artist, was born in Taiz in 1973. He is married and has three children.

He worked as teacher at the Teachers' Higher Institute, Technical Education Department.

As an artist, he established a relationship with the city he was born in. His connection with the city is strong and clearly depicted in his paintings.

Since his early childhood, he has been fond of practicing art as a way of self-discovery, through perseverant research and study. He is one of formative art founders in Yemen.

He has won many medals and certificates of merits. The last prize was the President's Prize.

He is highly esteemed by most artists due to his great work and portraits, unique experiences in abstract art. He is featured by sharp-witted intuition.

He studied Arabic studies at Taiz University and found himself preoccupied in such kind of art.

Lovers of his portraits are astonished when seeing them. They show direct orientation to the noisy streets of concrete jungles. They are mirrors reflecting calmly the authentic reality which he has become familiar with.

You will get surprised to perceive such intimacy, which has grown naturally between the nature of place



Statue of renowned poet, late Al-Baradoni, a marvel piece that gave Waleed international recognition

and its images.

That is Dallah, the President's Prize winner in the formative art for the year 2002.

When asked about receiving the President's Prize, he said, "Surely, it is not due to overconfidence. But, I have been entrusted with so many artistic works, and so I have been fully prepared for the President's Prize. I do have an intention to participate in 2001."

Dallah has spared no efforts to accomplish something new, particularly in abstract art. He felt that there was a short period and therefore he was not satisfied of what he had accomplished.

As a winner for the President's Prize, he said he felt confirmation to his high-spirited enthusiasm and a possession for a unique and great success. "This has become evidently clear to me, when tens of my friends congratulated me. It is unforgettable moments of ecstasy after a long wait," Mr. Waleed remarked.

As a resident in Taiz especially its old and ancient houses and lanes, his copious portraits show fertile and breathtaking environments. "This has left a special effect on me which has increased day after day," he noted.

Dallah has sharp-witted senses and mental acuity. He could penetrate into things and think of them deeply, particularly colors, where others can't. Such traits are differentiated the common man from the true artist.

"Enjoying and looking deeply into colors and their transparencies as well as penetrating into the beauty of forms and colorful movements is the



Waleed describing his techniques and ideas.

only thing for getting and ensuring the soul. Keeping in contact with your profession is by itself a feeling of a unique stable enjoyment," he said.

When Mr. Waleed asked about whether abstract art is an integral part of an artist or not, he said: "Undoubtedly, they are integral part of each other. Delicate and sensitive feelings are needed in both cases."

Probably there is not any easy comparison between this literary form to other forms of art such as poetry and short story. However, many people have started to under-

stand the nature of the formative art, which is a good omen of times to come.

New artists are showing profound interest in abstracts. Now we witness more exhibitions organized in schools, universities and cultural centers. There is a criticism movement in the media.

If new artists go on, there will be a day when people understand the meaning of abstract art and how important it is for the society. Dallah is a good example of a distinguished artist who deserves more than what has been granted.

## A story inspired from struggles of life

# "Oh God,,,"

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**I** have always been a boy who would be deep in thought. Words would come to me and I would memorize them. I couldn't write, so memorizing my words by singing was the only way. I was different to the many children who would go out into the hot sun and play football with their bare feet in Yemen. My mind would wander to a far away place and I would hear melodies from fiddles, strings and voices singing my song.

Some children thought I wasn't normal and some thought I was slowly growing crazy, because of my parents leaving me because of the steel boom industry in England. It wasn't the case at all. By this time my mother and father memories were long gone, disappeared into the back of my mind, somewhere deep inside of me. So deep, it would be a battle for me to muster any love for them in the future.

There were days I would take long walks and yes, I do admit, I would talk to myself and I am sure if someone saw me then they would have thought this child has gone crazy, and locked me up. It would not make much difference. This world has become a prison and it will do so for so many years to come until I find what I lost in my journey...myself. A world that would cage me to not give me what I so want-

ed, and all I ever wanted was to be part of a family.

I hid myself from the laughter of the Yemeni children by walking far away from the village, towards the cotton fields. There was no destination, just walking as far as I could go so I could be alone. I reached the forest of trees where the women go to get wood for the fire and climbed onto a rock, sat there, with right hand on my chin. I sat there, scratching my head every few minutes and started talking to myself. It was the only way for me to resolve any worries, pain that I was feeling or confusion. It was the only way to sooth that burning rage that kept tapping into my soul.

"Are you there? God? I'm sorry I haven't talked to you much lately, just been busy worrying over some things, and I know it's not much of an excuse, but I'm sorry. I was wondering if you could help me? I never asked anything of you. I know a lot of people ask you for a lot of things and you might be too busy, but I need your help. I need to ask you something's which I need answers for."

I took a deep breathe before asking Him. I was scared to do what I was about to do. I know I didn't know much about God but I knew He created everything and my grandma told me a few things about Him, which got me thinking a lot about talking to Him for the first time. So here I was, getting ready to ask God and I wasn't sure if I

should do it.

I felt my heart beating fast and I was getting nervous. Actually, I was terrified but I stood up on top of the large rock and shouted:

"Why? Did I do anything wrong to you? You give me this life and make my life miserable! You took away my mother, my father, everything I ever wanted and look at me! Look at my life! I got no one! I feel so alone"

"Who said you were ever alone. Hmm?"

I nearly fell off the rock. Is that God replying to me? I couldn't believe it! I felt my heart beating faster. My heart felt like it would leap out of my chest. I was terrified. What have I done? Why did I say such words to God, the Creator of the Universe? I thought my life was going to be over. I have done something terrible. I shouldn't have said such words to God. But then I thought I'd make sure that it wasn't the Devil:

"Erm, God?"

"No, not God.."

"Shaytaan!"

"Hey, I am no devil either!"

"Then you must be an angel or a jinn."

"I'm right behind you. Take a look."

"Do I have to?"

He started laughing. I slowly turned round to see a tall white man, wearing black trousers, black shirt and one big moustache over his lips.

"Who are you?" I asked

"Call me what all Yemeni's here call me: The Russian man."

And so I forgot for a while about God and was curious to know about this Russian man. I was hesitant because I've never seen him, before but curiosity got the better of me. I jumped down and slowly I walked to him.

"So, you were talking to God were you?" he asked.

"I wanted some answers," I replied. "Well, that's best way of getting them, but He doesn't always answer, and when He does, sometimes we are deaf to hear His answer and blind to see He has given so much already."

"I don't know what you mean," I said, staring down at his large black boots.

"Let's say, sometimes we don't like the answers so we don't want to listen."

"I see," I said.

He sat down on the trunk of a tree, which must have surrendered to the storm a few weeks ago. I stayed standing for a while, staring down at him, wondering why was he walking in the woods like I have been.

"Can I ask you something?" He asked.

"Depends."

"On what?" I asked

"Well, I don't even know you're name."

"My name is Sid."

"Hi there Sid, come and sit in front of me and ask away."

"Is it true that there's a world out there?"

"Oh yeah Sid, so much to see, but then I found people go to such worlds to really search for themselves, only lose themselves."

"I don't know what you mean Russian man."

"Well, I know quiet a few Yemeni's left Yemen to go to England to help their families here, but the day they stepped in that country is the day they forget about why they left Yemen."

"How come?"

"Life in such countries, Sid, is a life where there's lots of money and you will always want more. Suddenly, you are so busy making it, you forget you came to England to return back to Yemen. I know some don't ever come back and some come back when they are really

old. They come back to die here."

"Oh."

I think the Russian man had an idea why I was asking and I couldn't hide my face of disappointment as I slowly sat down and looked up to the sky. Maybe, I will never see my parents after all. Maybe they will come back to only die with their son. He saw me lower my head in sadness and that's how I learned more about the Russian man. He made me forget for a while about what pained me and told me stories.

"I used to be a sailor and we used to go into the sea for food with the fishermen. My life would change, because I never really stepped out of Russia. My parents needed money badly and things were bad in Russia. The economy wasn't good."

"The economy? What's that?"

"Economy is about money, Sid. Jobs. And if the country has no jobs, businesses are not making money, then the economy is not good."

"I see, go on please."

"I met a Yemeni sailor who told my father that I can make good money as a sailor and I will come back with enough money to help the whole family. My father was OK about it, but my mother wanted me to stay. I was the only son they had. Although I had four sisters too."

"So you left them?"

"Yes, Sid, and promised I would come back rich."

"What happened?"

I left with the sailor and we traveled all over the world on great ships, hunting whales and even sea-lions. It went like this for 10 years and I sent money back always to the family. My life changed one cold, foggy morning on land. I had this long spear and a steel hammer. It was my first time they let me go with them on the shore and they were hunting white puppy sea-lions, that beautiful white fur skin.

I remember that I stood over one, and as I raised the steel hammer to hit its head, I saw its eyes, I saw the tears running down. I couldn't believe what I saw. I couldn't do it and walked away towards the sailors who were shouting at me to go back and finish the job. I didn't of course, but they finished what I couldn't.

It has been 15 years and I went back home to find that my father died and my mother also died, and no doubt from a broken heart. She loved my father and I was not there. My sisters were married and had families of their own and I couldn't stay with them. The house was sold to someone else, and there was nothing left for me but to travel again. That is why I came to Yemen.

"But what made you come to Yemen?"

"It was simple. The man who took me away from my father, like I said, was a Yemeni. He came with me to see my family and saw the pain I was in and took me with him, but his own family and relatives didn't like me too much to stay in their own homes. So I found where and there with the fishermen. but as years went by, jobs became scarce and the money I had left was all gone."

I saw the look in face, his eyes and he too gazed towards the sky, as if he was asking God for answers or maybe his father or mother. I don't know, but what I do know is that I felt he was in my situation. I felt a bond with the Russian man that day and he would tell me more stories on the world he had seen.

I learned so much about world history, about revolutions and music. He was like a walking history book and a map put together and I loved listening to him. He would get me sitting at the edge of life, filled with excitement on the adventures he had been on.

It was getting dark and hours must have gone by with so many stories in my mind. I knew I would meet him again soon. Before I left I said:

"I really thought God would answer me."

"Maybe He has, Sid. Maybe He already has."

Maybe God did answer me. Maybe He sent a new friend to me, the Russian man. The man of dreams, journeys and love for his father and mother. I realized then, that I was lucky. At least I got hope; my father and mother are still alive, somewhere in England.

I said my goodbyes, and left him staring at the great sky. Maybe he also came here to talk to God and find what he lost a long time ago. Himself.







# Local Press

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**26 September weekly, organ of Yemen Armed Forces, 13 Nov. 2003.**

## Main headlines:

- President congratulates Belgium king  
- 31st conference of Arab News Agencies Union to be held in Sana'a next December

- Higher Committee on prisons inspected 16 governorates, al-Alfi: Recommendations for the release of 1500 prisoners, demand for improvement of women and juvenile prisons

The political editor of the newspaper says that the information address of opposition seems to have adopted a slogan of "opposition for the sake of opposition" meaning in the end represented in distortion and falsification of awareness of the popular opinion and the use of means of lying and fallacies.

The writer adds we have witnessed fabricated fuss about the government signing of an agreement ending concession of Yeminvest at the container station, its port and the Free Zone in Aden, portraying the move as if the government has embarked on a hostile or not patriotic act and strangely showing the measure as an image of corruption.

The government and the political leadership have adopted the principle of transparency in running affairs of the state and the society. And within the framework of this principle it is necessary to open all files and exposing all ambiguous facts not only regarding the project of the Free Zone I Aden but also in all issues and matters where compromises are taking place behind the scenes. By the information address of some political forces it appears the bidding and contradictory stand expressing strange and dubious mentality. The obvious question on the political and cultural and ethical and media life stage today is the absence of intellectual and ethical values regarding the concept of searching for the truth which some political forces have replaced by a program of falsifying the truth and developing means of lies.

Unfortunately if freedom of expression and democracy are understood in this way by some political forces, these forces are then working for destroying foundations of freedom and principles of democracy by following this behavior that does not rely on firm rules of order, law and political and social discipline.



**Al-Isbou weekly, 13 September 2003.**

## Main headlines:

- A Yemeni citizen achieved a wealth in Egypt and lost it in Yemen  
- Shara'ab al-Salam local council delays teachers' salaries of October  
- A soldier commits suicide in Lahj  
- Taiz prosecution interrogates journalist Fikrah

Al-Isbou newspaper article says at the time when the question of improving the image of the United States of America inside the Arab and Islamic world is receiving much interest inside American institutions, tensions inside the Middle East do impede an American activity for explaining the American values based on pluralism and opening media instruments to the Arab world seem to be simple if compared to the large-scale security effort. And in Iraq more dark features are being outlined about the variant relationship between two worlds. In the month of Ramadhan Bush speaks in his weekly speech on the harmony of Islam with democratic values a matter that was being raised about contradiction of its values with freedom as the Americans are conscious that feeding extremism ideas are coming from the mosque or the school. Every Friday a number of worshippers come out of the Grand Mosque in old Sana'a shouting chants against America and often end in arrests among them. Yemen has fallen in the midst of the battle. The incident of Cole expressed about a terrorist activity, an environment helping the entering in terror. With the continuation of American mistakes in improving its wrong that reached its

## Main headlines

- GPC and Islah, deal of handing over al-Mouayad to Washington
- Unknown identity and strange timing, which is behind Islamic Liberation party and promotes for it?
- Vice president confirms Yemen stand by Syria
- Central apparatus for audition and accountability hosts 32nd session of executive council
- Failure of American forces in Iraq pushes them to shell residential areas in Tikrit and Falluja
- Two people died because of crowd because of al-Umra
- Americans and their agents' blood shed every day in Iraq
- Yemenis on terror list, from Iraq to Lebanon, from Pakistan to Guantanamo
- Firing and suspension a number of official employees in Ibb and Aden governorates
- American court accepts reconsidering an appeals suit concerning Guantanamo prisoners
- International report: Yemen major centre for smuggling weapons to neighborly countries
- Dhamar governorate denies relationship in arbitration about a killed doctor at al-Saeed mosque incident
- American Strict measures against some Yemenis' travel
- 19 Italians killed in an attack on Italian forces base in south Iraq
- Saudi interior minister: No dialogue with terrorists but with gun and sword
- Yemen demands from America to release al-Amoudi
- Presidential decrees: Establishment of the President Centre for training and qualification of orphans and a higher council for trustees
- Communications minister leads delegation to world summit for information society in Geneva
- Official source at parties committee: So-called Islamic Liberation party illegal, its leaders aim is media publicity

military apex in the region the chances of success will be diminished before the countries cooperating against terror, including Yemen.



**Al-Thawri weekly, organ of the YSP, 13 Nov. 2003.**

## Main headlines:

- Due to failure of former meetings, JMP, Unionist Congregation and the League parted apologize from attending a Ramadhan evening  
- Al-Zaidi comment on the killing of young man Saleh Husein  
- Journalists appeal for treatment of Yemeni announcer Radhia Sultan

Columnist Qassem wrote an article saying the Yemen unity agreement was signed on 30 November 1989 in the city of Aden and was declared on May 22 1990. A month before that an agreement was signed in Sana'a stipulating the declaration of the unity on 26 May 1990. The last agreement remained in drawers till after the declaration of the unity. The question that is always aroused when talking about the unity agreement is which is the agreement the first or the second? The long duration dialogues in which various political forces in Yemen took part produced what had been termed as "document of pledge and agreement" signed in the Jordanian capital Amman in 1994 and was not implemented because the first of its articles stipulated the arrest of those who took part in the political assassinations, that was a simple condition that could have been obtained by one of sharia agent of any court or prosecution instead of leading to the war that made the day of its end, the 7th of July 1994, a day for ending the unity of 22 may peacefully.

The dialogue question in Yemen takes bizarre dimensions and when the authority talks about dialogue with the opposition it would necessary return to old papers that would inevitably recall conferences of Yemeni dialogues in the sixties of the last century. The last of those dialogue conferences had been

held in Geneva in 1967 between the National Front and Britain that carried Yemen to independence and expulsion of the British colonization. In that conference the Yemenis had reaped freedom and independence from the colonialist influence and hegemony. Apart from that the authority must invest it in its political dialogues because they are either sterile or failing dialogues out of which nothing had been produced.



**Al-Shumou weekly, 15 Nov. 2003.**

## Main headlines:

- After inflicting on the country tens of millions, the government agrees to renew HUNT agreement for another five years  
- Parliament warns from selling polluted medical equipment  
- Expansion of Christianization campaign in Yemen reaches senior officials  
- Oil mafia behind 228 killed or wounded because of gas cylinders explosions

The political editor of the newspaper wrote an article saying we feel with pain and sadness for this kind of imperfect national sovereignty and political independence whose walls are cracking day by day as we are moving to brink of an abyss in one of the most important and dangerous issues. Why have we so easily sacrificed Yemeni ciin Germany exposed to violation via unjust trials? Why does the government act leniently towards its nationals while it is the number one responsible for them regardless of their political or partisan affiliation? Why do some political forces like the Islah party for instance falling captive of political deals to commit themselves accordingly to offering some of the best of their men sacrifices as is the case with sheikh al-Mouayad? We have gone too far in offering limitless concessions. To hell with politics and luxurious deals and let the homeland remain lofty and independent crowned with its sovereignty and dignity.

# World Press

Major news items in leading international newspapers *Provided by Xinhua*

## Egypt

### Al Ahram

Egyptian Prime Minister Atef Ebeid had talks on Monday with the Vice President of the African Development Bank (ADB) Group, which tackled the file of projects the bank contributes to financing in Egypt, including the infrastructure projects like the power stations.

### Al Akhbar

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak sent on Monday a cable of condolences to Turkish President Ahmet Necdet Sezer on the casualties of the twin bombings in Istanbul. He voiced Egypt's solidarity with Turkey and expressed sympathy with the families of the victims.

### Al Gomhuria

The death toll of the fire which broke out on Sunday in Port Said's marketplace rose to eight people. Four bodies have been retrieved from under the debris to increase the number of the toll.

### The Egyptian Gazette

Saudi Minister of Interior Prince Nayef Bin Abdel Aziz said the kingdom proposed clemency for the militants who took part in the explosions that rocked the Saudi capital of Riyadh 10 days ago if they renounced violence and gave themselves in to the authorities.

## Nigeria

### This Day

During his talks with President Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe in Harare, on Monday, Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo promised to continue widespread consultations on the issue of suspension of Zimbabwe from the Commonwealth.

### Vanguard

At the close of business on Monday, interest rate on Call lending which closed at 31 percent last Friday had shot up to 37 percent while inter-

est rate on Open Buy Back (OBB) lending rose to 36 percent from 30 percent.

### The Guardian

Following renewed cases of abduction of oil workers and attacks on the equipment of multinational companies by some restive youths in recent days in the Niger Delta, Nigerian military and police chiefs on Monday reportedly returned to the drawing board on how to effectively police the region.

## Philippines

### Manila Bulletin

The National Police Commission has ordered the Philippine National Police to recruit 6,000 new policemen until the end of the year in an effort to boost the national police's capability in maintaining peace and order in the country.

### The Philippine Star

The family of former Air Transportation Office chief Panfilo Villaruel will file murder charges against policemen who killed him and his aide Ricardo Catchillar on Nov. 8. "It is now clear that what the Police Aviation Security Group did to Captain Villaruel and his aide was

murder," Villaruel family lawyer Eduardo Escueta told reporters Monday.

### Philippine Daily Inquirer

Deposed president Joseph Estrada on Monday defended President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's support for his request for medical treatment in the United States as an act of compassion, even though it came almost three years late. Estrada strongly denied reports that he had struck a deal with the Arroyo administration. Estrada was ousted in January 2001 by a popular revolt and was arrested in April 2001 on plunder and graft charges in the anti-graft court.

## Pakistan

### Dawn

Pakistan Monday rejected Afghanistan's allegations that Islamabad is supporting Taliban's regrouping and asked Kabul to cooperate and not to quarrel in the fight against terrorism.

### The Nation

Pakistan Monday said that the 12th summit of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation would be postponed if the Indian leadership refused to

participate in the conference scheduled for January next year in Islamabad.

### The News

The Pakistani government is considering banning four more organizations including two welfare trusts and two militant groups in the aftermath of the ban on three religious and militant groups Saturday, a highly-placed official said while requesting anonymity.

## India

### The Hindu

The man at the center of the bribery-for-tapes scandal, Indian Union Environment Minister Dilip Singh Judeo on Monday resigned from the government.

### The Times of India

The Indian Supreme Court will have a fresh look at its recent judgment on

disinvestment of the two major public oil sectors HPCL and BPCL.

### Hindustan Times

Pakistan on Monday said it was ready to talk to India to resolve Kashmir and other outstanding issues in accordance with the Simla Agreement and Lahore Declaration.

## Kenya

### Kenya Times

Kenyan President Mwai Kibaki on Monday invited the private sector to work together with the government to give impetus to the country's economic revival program.

### People Daily

Kenyan police in Mombasa have discovered a total of 28 explosives at Kenya Ports Authority's Kilindini

Harbor where one of the police officers guarding the harbor discovered the weapons after an explosion.

### Daily Nation

Public servants, including members of the parliament, who failed to comply with the wealth declaration deadline on Nov. 15, had technically resigned, the government announced on Monday.

## Britain

### The Times

British Prime Minister Tony Blair appealed to Labor backbenchers last night to unite behind his reform of schools and hospitals or risk seeing a reinvigorated Conservative Party wrest back the advantage.

### The Guardian

Media baron Lord Black, owner of the Daily Telegraph, resigned in dis-

grace from the helm of his newspaper empire amid rising expectation that his most prized titles would have to be sold off.

### The Independent:

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■ مطلوب مدير مبيعات بشرط أن يكون لديه خبرة في المعدات والمولدات الكهربائية. ويكون حاصل على شهادة جامعية للتواصل: ٢٦٩٧٢٠-٧١٧٢٤٠

■ تعلن وكالة شاعر للسفر والسياحة عن حاجتها لموظفين في الشوارع التالية:

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على: ٧١٧٢٤٩٦  
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■ مطلوب: موظف مبيعات في مجال السفريات لدى وكالة رائدة في هذا المجال وشرط أن يكون لديه خبره

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■ مطلوب للعمل سكرتيرة بدوام كامل وتجييد اللغة الإنجليزية والكبيوتر وإدخال البيانات والسرية في الطباعة باللغة الإنجليزية، صنعاء، هاتف: ٤٢٠٥٩٥-٤٢٠٥٩٤

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