

Bombs kill 22 in New Delhi

Two bombs explode in quick succession in crowded markets and streets in the heart of New Delhi on September 13, leaving more than 20 dead and hundreds injured. The Indian police has since announce the arrest of several suspects from the Indian Mujahideen, a Muslim militant group which claimed the attacks, and also said it was responsible for bombings in July that killed at least 45 people in the cities of Ahmedabad and Bangalore. Police say five bombs were planted, but three were defused. The group sent an email to media outlets after blasts in May in the tourist city of Jaipur that left 63 dead announcing it had launched an "open war" against India for supporting the United States.

Taliban blamed for massive suicide bomb at Marriot hotel



Pakistan has blamed the Al-Qaeda-linked Taliban militants for the massive suicide truck bombing at the Marriot Hotel that killed at least 60 and injured more than 260 people. The restaurants of the five-star establishment had been packed with Muslims breaking the daily Ramadan fast, and with foreigners who considered the hotel one of the few safe places to dine in the Pakistani capital.



US media continues Palin-frenzy

The US's Republican vice-presidential candidate, Sarah Palin, dominates American headlines after her nomination was announced, earning herself both fervent supporters and critics. A media storm has emerged surrounding the 44-year-old former local beauty queen's strong anti-abortion views, lack of experience on the national and international stage, alleged dismissal of a state commission on personal grounds, contradictory statements on actions done during her term as governor of Alaska and pregnant teenage daughter. Questions have also arisen about her efforts while mayor of the Alaskan town of Wasilla to gain millions of dollars in federal funding, an approach apparently at odds with the McCain message of fiscal reform.



Bolivia government resumes talks with opposition

The government of Bolivian President Evo Morales resumes long-delayed talks with the opposition leaders, following a week of violent clashes between opposition forces and government troops that led him to declare martial law in one rebel Bolivian state. Bolivia's enduring political conflict blew up into deadly street violence last week as Morales, Bolivia's first indigenous president, struggled to assert his authority over the eastern half of his country. Dialogue froze between the two sides some eight months ago, and violence has once again flared in recent weeks in the divided country, the poorest in South America.