



Indonesian police (R) carry evidence from a suspected Islamic militant hideout on outskirts of Solo in Central Java yesterday after a raid on the compound killed four people. Armed Indonesian police stormed the Islamic militant hideout early in the day in a raid strongly suspected to have left terror mastermind Noordin Mohammed Top dead.

US troops gun down Fallujah 'shoe-thrower'

AFP, Fallujah

An Iraqi man who witnesses said shouted abuse before throwing a shoe at a US army vehicle was shot dead on Wednesday in what the American military said was a suspected grenade attack.

Residents told an AFP reporter in Fallujah that Ahmed Latif, 32, whom they said was mentally disturbed, insulted the soldiers as they patrolled in the centre of the city, and then hurled a shoe at them.

The US military told AFP that a convoy in Fallujah had been attacked with a suspected grenade.

"Positive identification of the attacker was made, and US forces fired in self-defence wounding the attacker," the army said in a statement.

Obama scraps missile shield plan for Europe

AP, Prague

President Barack Obama has decided to scrap plans for a US missile defence shield in the Czech Republic and Poland that had deeply angered Russia, the Czech prime minister confirmed yesterday.

Nato's new chief hailed the move as "a positive step" and a Russian analyst said the move will increase the chances that Russia will cooperate more closely with the United States in the dispute over Iran's nuclear program.

Premier Jan Fischer told reporters that Obama phoned him overnight to say that "his government is pulling out of plans to build a missile defence radar on Czech territory."

"The same happened with Poland.

Poland was informed in the same way about this intention," Fischer said.

Under the plan, which had been proposed by the Bush administration to defend the United States and its European allies against a possible missile attack from Iran or elsewhere in the Middle East, 10 interceptor rockets were to have been stationed in Poland and a radar system based in the Czech Republic.

But Russia was livid over the prospect of having US interceptor rockets in countries so close to its territory, and the Obama administration has sought to improve strained ties with the Kremlin.

A top Russian lawmaker praised the move.

"The US president's decision is a well-thought and systematic one," said

Konstantin Kosachev, head of the foreign affairs committee in the State Duma, the lower house of the Russian parliament. "It reflects understanding that any security measure can't be built entirely on the basis of one nation."

Fischer said Obama assured him that the "strategic cooperation" between the Czech Republic and the US would continue, and that Washington considers the Czechs among its closest allies.

Fischer said after a review of the missile defence system, the US now considers the threat of an attack using short- and mid-range missiles greater than one using long-range rockets.

"That's what the Americans assessed as the most serious threat," and Obama's decision was based on that, he said.

US lawmakers call for new Iran sanctions

AFP, Washington/Teheran

The United States must move now to impose tough new sanctions on Iran's energy sector, and not wait until the outcome of October 1 talks on Tehran's nuclear programmes, US lawmakers warned Wednesday.

Top Republican members of the House of Representatives said the Islamic republic was exploiting President Barack Obama's policy of engagement to pursue what the West charges is a covert atomic weapons quest.

"The time is now for Congress to enact the strongest possible sanctions against the regime in Iran," said Representative Mike Pence, the number three Republican in the House.

Pence linked the move to the pending visit of Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to the UN General Assembly next week and said Obama's Democratic allies, who control the congress, must act on the bill this week.

The Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act, introduced in late April, would effectively bar any non-US firm that sells refined petroleum to Iran, or facilitates such sales, from doing business in the United States.

Because of a lack of domestic refining capacity, oil-rich Iran is dependent on gasoline imports to meet about 40 percent of domestic consumption.

Iran gets most of its gasoline imports from the Swiss firm Vitol, the Swiss/Dutch firm Trafigura, France's Total, the

Swiss firm Glencore and British Petroleum, as well as the Indian firm Reliance.

The legislation has some 300 co-sponsors in the House of Representatives and broad support in the US Senate.

Democratic Representative Howard Berman, the bill's lead author and chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, has said he will give Obama's approach time and wait until the end of September to see whether Iran bows to global pressure to freeze its uranium enrichment programme.

"Where is the sense of urgency? Simply put: There is none," charged Representative Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, the top Republican on Berman's committee.

9 Somalia peacekeepers killed in attack on base

AFP, Mogadishu

Two powerful explosions ripped through the headquarters of African Union peacekeepers in Somalia Thursday, killing nine soldiers including the Burundian deputy commander in a twin suicide attack by Islamist rebels.

"At least two bombs" exploded at the force headquarters in a fortified compound at Mogadishu airport, the AU said in a statement which condemned what it called a "barbaric attack" in which at least 15 other soldiers were wounded.

"Among those who died is the AMISOM deputy commander Major General Juvenal Niyonguruzi," who was about to complete his tour of duty in Somalia, Ugandan army spokesman Lieutenant

Colonel Felix Kulayigye said.

The army said the force commander, Ugandan General Nathan Mugisha, was among the wounded in the twin attack, which was claimed by hardline Shebab rebels. Kulayigye said the injuries to Mugisha, who took up his post only last month, were minor.

The circumstances surrounding the attack were unclear Thursday but witnesses said the bombers entered the compound using two vehicles with United Nations markings.

Kulayigye, who said Mugisha was about to host negotiations at the compound, said the bombers had got in "with a group that was coming for talks". He did not elaborate.



Japan's newly elected Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama answers questions from the press during a scheduled media conference at his official residence in Tokyo yesterday. Hatoyama met executives of the Japanese Trade Union Confederation, a major support base for his Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ), which has ended half a century of nearly unbroken rule by the pro-business conservatives.



Some of the 180 high security prisoners walk in the exercise pitch at Camp Bucca on the outskirts of the southern city of Basra, 550 km from Baghdad on Wednesday. The US-run prison closed Thursday with the remaining 180 prisoners being sent north to Camp Taji and Camp Cropper.

US military closes largest detention camp in Iraq

AP, Camp Bucca

The US military on Wednesday closed Camp Bucca, an isolated desert prison that was once its largest lockup in Iraq, as it moves to release thousands of detainees or transfer them to Iraqi custody before the end of the year.

The sprawling facility just north of the Kuwaiti border has held thousands of men over the years, including the most danger-

ous in US custody. Sunni insurgents, Shia extremists and al-Qaeda in Iraq suspects swept up from battlefields over six years of war.

Iraqi officials say some who have been freed have returned to violence.

"They've been vetted as some of the most dangerous threats not only to Iraq but internationally," said Lt Col Kenneth King, the commander of the Bucca detention facility.

NEWS IN BRIEF

10 hurt in firebomb attack on school

AFP, Berlin

A 19-year-old went on the rampage in his school in Germany on Thursday, lobbing Molotov cocktails and injuring 10 people, three seriously, before being overpowered by police, authorities said.

Six months almost to the day after 17-year-old Tim Kretschmer massacred 15 people in and near the town of Winnenden, the attacker injured both fellow pupils and teachers, authorities in Ansbach near Nuremberg said.

Six killed in Thai south violence

AFP, Narathiwat

Suspected Islamist militants shot dead five people in Thailand's troubled Muslim-majority south, while an insurgent died in a gunbattle with police, officials said Thursday.

Gunmen shot dead a Muslim man as he left a mosque early Thursday in restive Pattani province, one of three provinces bordering Malaysia where a five-year insurgency has left around 3,900 people dead, police said.

West Bank sealed off for Jewish New Year

AFP, Jerusalem

Israel will seal off the occupied West Bank for four days beginning at midnight on Thursday ahead of Jewish New Year celebrations, a military spokesman said.

He said an exception would be made for Muslims aged at least 45 in the case of women and 50 for men who wish to pray on Friday at Jerusalem's Al Aqsa mosque compound, Islam's third holiest site.

Invitation for Local Tender

1. Organization	The Save the Children Fund UK	
2. Procuring Entry Name	The Save the Children Fund UK Bangladesh Programme	
3. Procuring Entity Site	Patuakhali sadar of Patuakhali District and Dacope upazila sadar of Khulna District and Tala upazila sadar of Satkhira District	
4. Brief description of materials		
Description	Quantity	
a. Corrugated GI Sheet 9'x32"x0.36mm	Lot-1 - 12000	Lot-2 - 7500
b. Corrugated GI Sheet 7'x32"x0.36mm	Lot-1 - 3200	Lot-2 - 2000
c. GI Sheet Ridge 6'x12"x0.45mm	3,900 Nos	
	Lot-1 - 2400	Lot-2 - 1500
d. Deformed MS Bar 60 Grade 10mm Diameter	67.75 Metric Ton	
	Lot-1 - 42	Lot-2 - 25.75
e. MS Bar 75 Grade 5.75mm Diameter	8.75 Metric Ton	
	Lot-1 - 5.50	Lot-2 - 3.25
f. Ordinary Portland Cement	1820 Bags	
	Lot-1 - 1120	Lot-2 - 700
5. KEY INFORMATION		
a. Procurement Method	Local Sealed Tender	
b. Budget and Source of Funds	SC UK Bangladesh Program	
c. Earnest Money	1% of the total Quoted Value	
6. PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
a. Project/ Programme Name	Shelter-Phase II and Aila Shelter	
b. Tender Package No	002/2009	
c. Tender Publication Date	October 18, 2009	
d. Tender Document Collection Date	From September 20, 2009 to October 12, 2009 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm BST excluding weekends and Govt. Holidays	
e. Tender dropping and opening date and time	Dropping on or before 2:00 pm BST October 12, 2009. Opening at 3:00 pm BST on October 12, 2009.	
f. Tender Dropping Place & Mode	Hard copy of tender form and relevant documents in sealed envelope to be dropped in Tender box kept at the front gate of Save the Children UK, Bangladesh Programme, House No. 14, Road No. 16 (A), Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh	
g. Eligibility of Tenderer	Local Manufacturers, Sole Agents/ Authorized Dealer	
h. Special Instructions.	Save the Children UK reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof. The bidders are liable to abide by the decision of Save the Children UK authority.	
7. Name and designation of the official inviting the Tender	Keya Sultana Manager, Administration Save the Children Fund UK, Bangladesh Program House 14, Road 16A, Gulshan, Dhaka 1212, Bangladesh Email: keya@savethechildren-bd.org	

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Class Timings : Day	Class Timings : Day	Class Timings : Evening

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| (1) Applicants with minimum GPA of 3.50 in SSC and 3.25 in HSC and combined GPA of 7.00 can apply. | (1) Bachelors Degree or equivalent in any field. | (1) Bachelors Degree or equivalent in any field |
| (2) Applicants with A and O Level must attain minimum Average Grade Point of 2.5 in 5 subjects in 'O' level and 2.0 in 3 subjects in 'A' level. Letter grades be converted to grade points as A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1. | (2) Minimum 8 points calculated based on the results of past public examinations (explained in the prospectus.) | (2) Minimum 7 points calculated based on the results of past public examinations (explained in the prospectus) |
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 - Three:** Collecting form and prospectus paying Tk 100 on cash from BUP Admission Section and thereafter submission of duly filled up form through postal service or by hand with all attested copies of necessary documents.
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