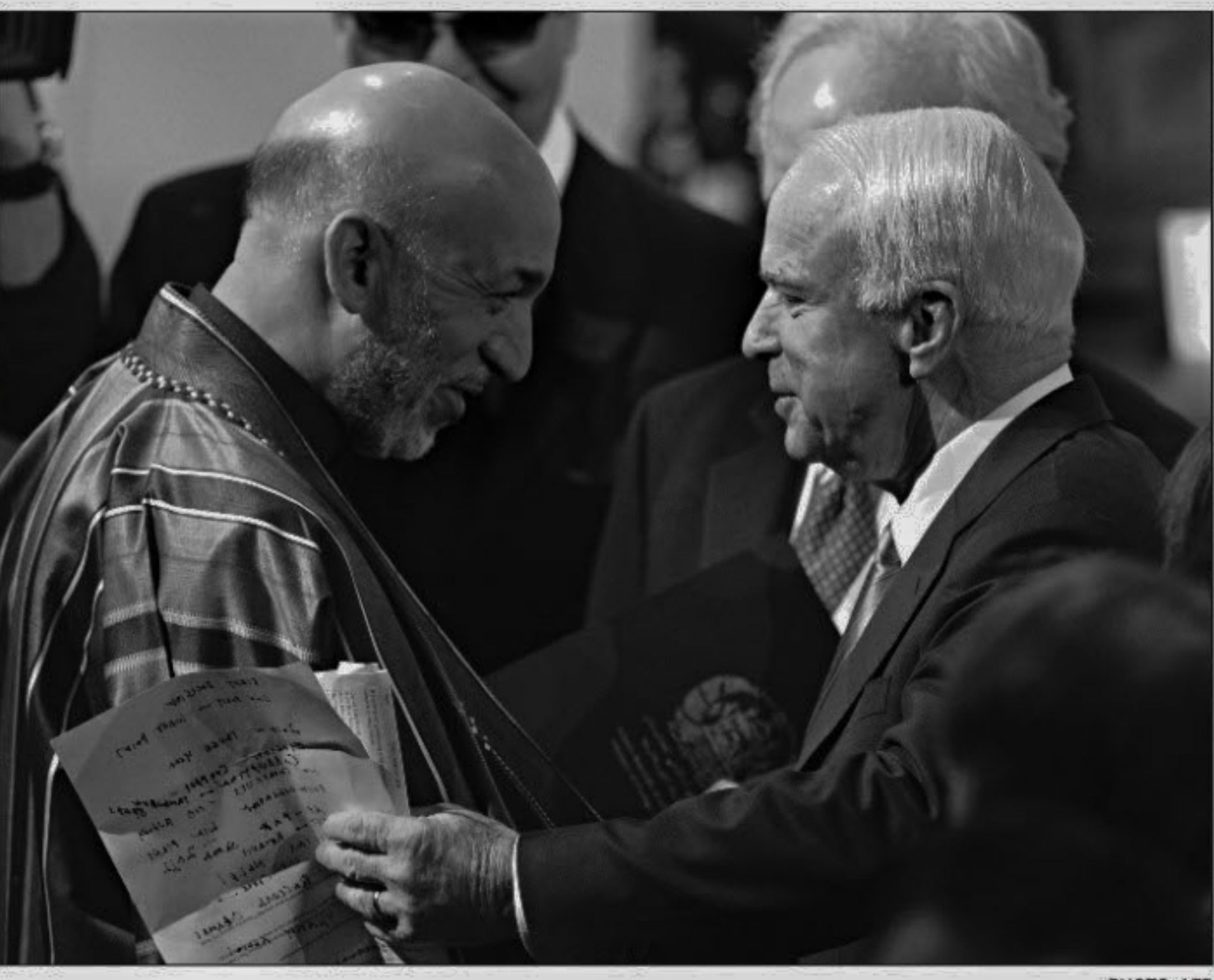


US troops detain senior Afghan police official

US forces have detained a senior police officer in north-eastern Afghanistan for alleged corruption and links to insurgents, an Afghan official and Nato said yesterday.

US not in direct contact with Taliban: Holbrooke

Washington is not in "direct contact" with the Taliban as part of efforts after January's London conference on Afghanistan to re-integrate insurgents, US envoy Richard Holbrooke said yesterday.



Afghan President Hamid Karzai (L) greets US Senator John McCain prior to a panel discussion on Afghanistan at the 46th Munich Security Conference at the Bayerischer Hof hotel yesterday.

Top Chinese official holds talks in N Korea

A senior Chinese Communist Party official held talks with North Korea on Sunday, state media said, as Pyongyang comes under growing pressure to return to nuclear disarmament talks.

Internet down in Iran ahead of demos

Iran said yesterday its Internet connections will remain slow this week due to technical problems, ahead of anticipated protests by opposition supporters.

Israel 'failed' to probe war crimes

Human Rights Watch said yesterday that Israel has failed to properly investigate alleged crimes committed during last winter's devastating Gaza war as demanded by the United Nations.



Debris flow damages a home after heavy rains caused mudslides on Saturday in La Canada Flintridge, California. Large wildfires in 2008 and 2009 stripped the hills and mountains of vegetation, resulting in mud and debris flow danger as winter rains pass over foothill communities where thousands of people have been evacuated at times in recent weeks.

Benazir Killing Probe Four member UN team in Pakistan

A four member UN team probing former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's assassination has arrived here to carry forward the inquiry.

New Orleans elects first white mayor in 32 yrs

New Orleans has elected its first white mayor in 32 years, ushering in hopes of a new era in a city still trying to rebuild five years after Hurricane Katrina.

Nato seeks broader ties with China, India, Russia

The head of Nato said yesterday that the alliance's troubled mission in Afghanistan shows it is vital to boost ties with nations like China, India and Pakistan.

Israel open to peace talks with Syria: Netanyahu

Israel's prime minister attempted to end a war of words with Syria yesterday, saying his country is open to peace talks with its longtime enemy.

Sydney banker 'stole and spent \$7m on prostitutes'

A banker in Sydney stole 7 million dollars from his employer and allegedly spent most of the amount on prostitutes.

Prehistoric human bones found in Malaysia

Malaysian researchers believe they have discovered a new set of prehistoric human bones in a cave near the largest man-made lake in Southeast Asia, newspapers reported yesterday.

Advertisement for National Foundation for Development of the Disabled Persons, including an invitation for tender for procurement of therapy equipment.

Iraqi Shia militants claim kidnapping of 2 Americans

Radical Shia Islamists who claim to have kidnapped a US military contractor of Iraqi origin said yesterday they are also holding a second American hostage captured two years ago.

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