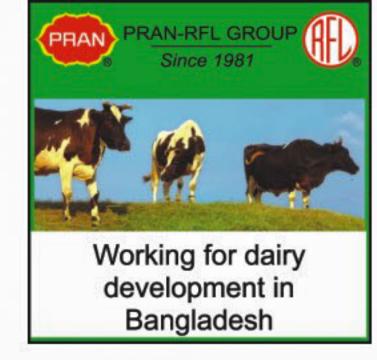
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MJ Akbar talks of adaptability of the **British Royal family**

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Operation wrapped in secrecy

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Helicopters descended out of darkness on the most important counterterrorism mission in US history. It was an operation so secret, only a select few US officials knew what was about to happen.

The location was a fortified compound in an affluent Pakistani town two hours outside Islamabad. The target was Osama bin Laden.

The compound is just "a stone's throw" and less than 200 yards from the Pakistan Military Academy, an elite military training centre, which is Pakistan's equivalent to Britain's Sandhurst, one local journalist from Abbottabad told the BBC. Other reports have put the distance at 800 yards.

BIN LADEN

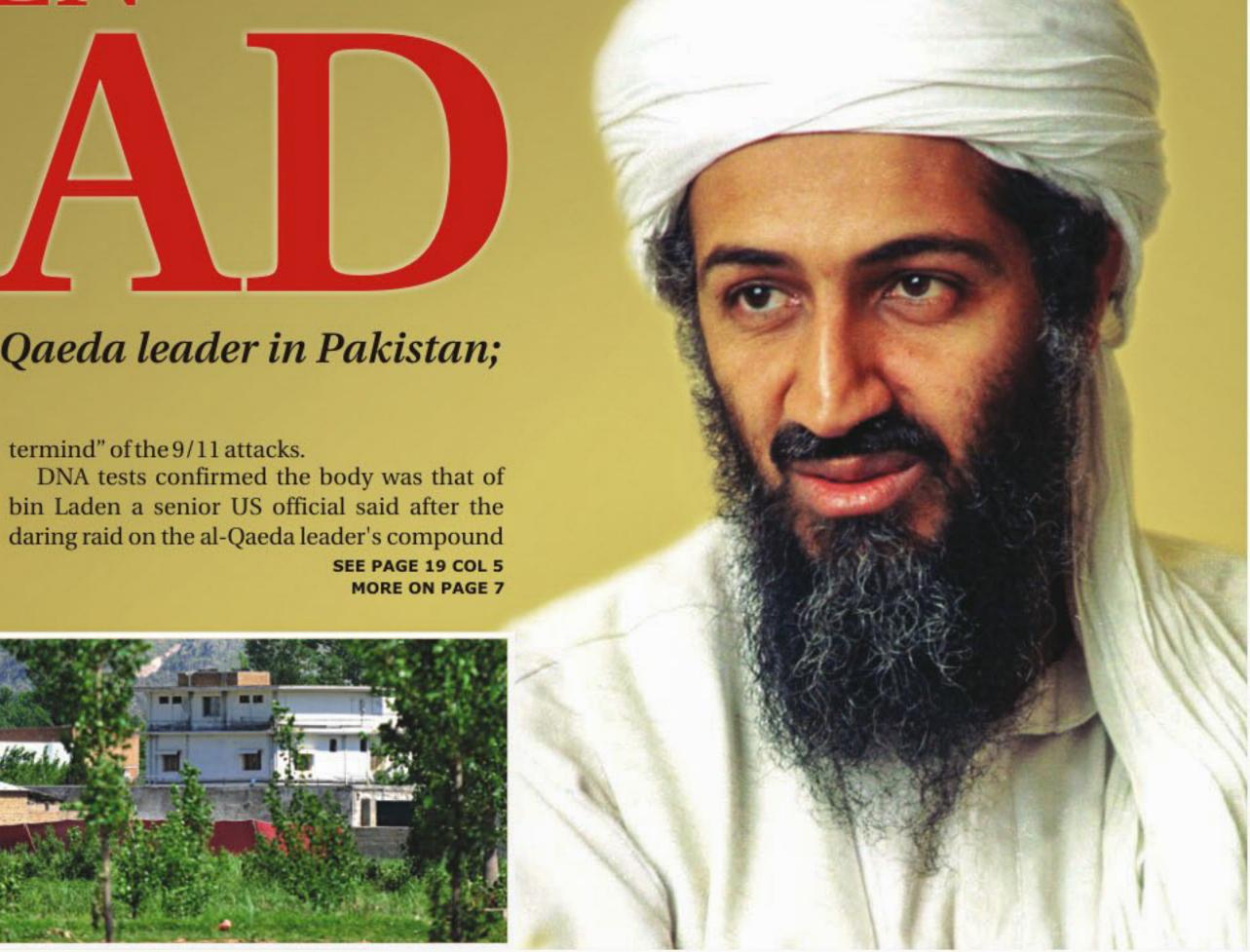
US elite navy team kills al-Qaeda leader in Pakistan; body buried at sea

AFP, Abbottabad

Osama bin Laden, the global face of terror, was shot dead deep inside Pakistan on Sunday in a night-time helicopter raid by US commandos, ending a decade-long manhunt for the "mas-

a compound with elaborate security **AFGHANISTAN** KABUL ISLAMABAD Tribal areas PAKISTAN

termind" of the 9/11 attacks.



Some justice, finally

React families of 9/11 victims

"I cannot express how this feels to my family, but relief is one word. We hope we can now focus on that the madman took, namely 3,000 plus innocent victims, and not on him."

-- Carrie Lemack who lost her mother on American Airlines Flight 11 when it crashed into the North Tower.

"Although it seems really, really unnatural to feel good about someone dying, it's justified tonight."

-- Rob Fazio whose father was killed in the 2001 atrocities.

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Laden as I know

"I was the son of a rich father.

HAMID MIR

I could have spent my life luxuriously

in Europe and America, like many other wealthy Saudis. Instead I took up arms and headed for the mountains of Afghanistan. Was it personal interest that drove me to spend

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Obama calls for vigilance

World leaders hail, fear retaliation; Dhaka terms it major development

REUTERS, Paris

Euphoria over the killing of September 11 mastermind : Osama bin Laden was tempered in the West yesterday by fears of retaliation, and world leaders ; and security experts urged

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Most Intense Manhunt

Detective work on courier led to Laden

THE NEW YORK TIMES ONLINE, Washington

After years of dead ends and promising leads gone cold, the big break came last · August.

A trusted courier of Osama bin Laden, whom American spies had been hunting for years, was finally located in a compound 35 miles north of the Pakistani capital, close to one of the hubs of American counterterrorism operations.

The property was so secure, so large, that American officials guessed it was built to hide someone far more important than a mere courier.

What followed was eight months of: painstaking intelligence work, culminat- · the global terror franchise, is ing in a helicopter assault by American · now set to succeed Osama ended in the death of bin Laden on : Like his Saudi-born co-conspirator, Zawahiri has been

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Zawahiri 'to fill in Laden shoes'

South Asia at risk of al-Qaeda attacks

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Al-Qaeda number two Ayman al-Zawahiri, the Egyptian surgeon considered the real mastermind of

military and intelligence operatives that : bin Laden as the world's most wanted man.

Sunday and concluded one of history's ; hiding ever since the United States declared its war on



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