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 Classified parts of 2002 congressional report will clear Saudi Arabia of any responsibility: CIA chief
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Gunman kills 50 in US nightclub

53 others wounded in the deadliest mass shooting in US history; lone attacker killed in police shootout; shooter pledged IS allegiance

CNN, Florida

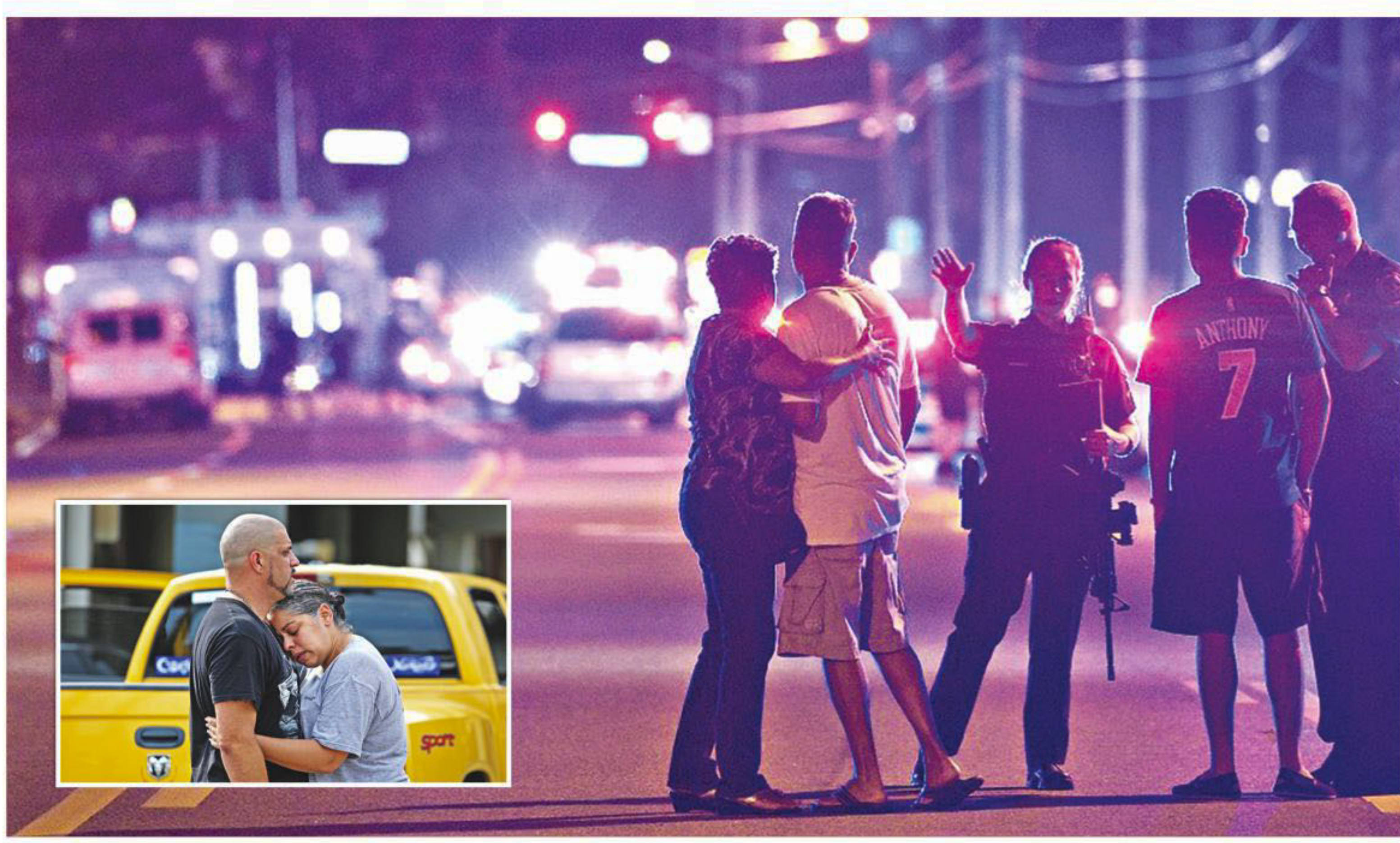
An American-born man who'd pledged allegiance to ISIS gunned down 50 people at a gay nightclub in Orlando -- the deadliest mass shooting in the United States and the nation's worst terror attack since 9/11, authorities said yesterday. Mateen carried an assault rifle and a pistol into the packed Pulse club about 2:00am Friday and started shooting, killing 50 people and wounding at least 53, police said. After a standoff of about three hours, police crashed into the building with an armored vehicle and killed Mateen. "It appears he was organised and well-

We know enough to say this was an act of terror

PRESIDENT OBAMA

While the violence could have hit any American community, "this is an especially heartbreaking day for our friends who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender," he said.

prepared," Orlando Police Chief John Mina said early Sunday. Authorities have not described finding any accomplices. There has been no claim of responsibility for the attack on jihadi forums, but ISIS sympathisers have reacted by praising the attack on pro-Islamic State forums. "We know enough to say this was an act of terror and act of hate," President Obama said in an address to the nation from the White House. SEE PAGE 2 COL 3



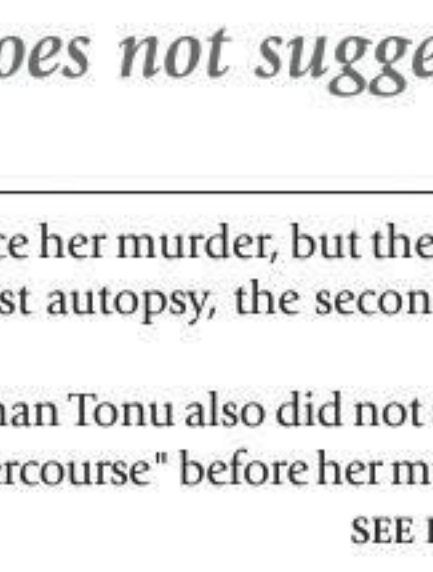
US police officers direct people away from a shooting at a nightclub in Orlando, Florida, yesterday. Inset, Ray Rivera, a DJ at the Pulse nightclub, is consoled by a friend outside of the Orlando Police Department. PHOTO: REUTERS/CNN

Cause of death still unknown

2nd autopsy report does not suggest rape

RAFIUL ISLAM

It has been nearly three months since her murder, but the cause of her death is still unknown. Like the first autopsy, the second one could not determine how she died. The second autopsy on Sohagi Jahan Tonu also did not suggest rape; it only found evidence of "sexual intercourse" before her murder. SEE PAGE 11 COL 2



Minority community leaders yesterday expressed anger over the role of the ruling Awami League (AL)-led 14-party alliance in protecting them from the recent violent attacks. They claimed that the alliance leaders did not stand beside them after people of their communities were attacked or killed. The series of attacks on minorities remind the brutality of SEE PAGE 2 COL 5

AL's role under severe criticism

PROTECTING MINORITIES

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

48 'militants' among 2,000 new arrestees

STAR REPORT

Police arrested 48 more suspected militants on the third day of their countrywide clampdown yesterday, taking the total number of captured "militants" to 85 since the special drive began following Sunday's murder of a top police official's wife by suspected militants in Chittagong. The special crackdown began in the early hours of Friday, and is primarily aimed at nabbing militants believed to be carrying out targeted attacks one after another across the country. However, it is not yet clear if any of those arrested was involved in any past attacks that saw dozens of people killed in the last two years or so. Apart from the 48 suspected militants, SEE PAGE 11 COL 1

Kadar's plight not over yet

He is under immense pressure to withdraw case against suspended police officer

RASHEDUL HASAN

Former Dhaka University student Abdul Kadar thought the torture he had endured in police custody after being falsely accused in a case was in his past and the rogue cop responsible for his agony was to be punished and that was it. It was not so. His long battle for justice is yet to end. The threats, sufferings and increasing mental pressure continues on the now teacher of Comilla Victoria College. Kadar is under tremendous pressure to withdraw the case he had filed against now suspended officer-in-charge (OC) of Khilgaon police station Helal Uddin, who had arrested him in a false extortion case and tortured him in custody. Helal was punished with three years' imprisonment for the crime in absentia but he has been moving freely securing bail. He has been issuing threats on Kadar and his family members to withdraw the case, Kadar and his family sources said. "I am now going through a new phase of trouble as I am being asked to withdraw the case by various people and quarters," Kadar told The Daily Star. Kadar said he would not withdraw the case and hoped SEE PAGE 2 COL 2



Inu gets death threat

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu was threatened with life yesterday. An unknown person sent him a shroud in a shopping bag, said a ministry official. "Death to Inu who opposes Quranic law," was written with red ink on a white piece of paper found inside the bag, Shazzad Hossain, personal assistant to the information minister, told The Daily Star over the phone. The bag was found on the stairs of the party office of the Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD) on Bangabandhu Avenue in the capital yesterday morning, he said. A photo of the minister with a big cross mark on it was there too, he added. Motijheel police recovered the bag after visiting the JSD office. Law enforcers were investigating the matter, he added. On June 16, Inu and 23 SEE PAGE 11 COL 1

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