

# Opponents to Hussein reluctant to join conference around the world

By the Associated Press INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, — Iraqi exile Ahmed al-Haboubi's credentials as an opponent of Saddam Hussein are solid — he's seen the Iraqi president's brutality from inside an interrogation cell.

But al-Haboubi, a former minister in the government overthrown by Saddam Hussein's Baath party, has no plans to participate in a U.S.-backed conference of major Iraqi opposition groups to be held this week in London.

"This is an American conference with an American agenda to serve American interests and objectives," al-Haboubi said. "Regime change should be done by Iraqis and for Iraqis."

His criticism is shared by others among the varied Iraqi opposition groups who say the meeting to discuss a post-Saddam Iraq will be dominated by the large Kurdish and Shiite parties. The three-day meeting begins Friday.

JAKARTA, Indonesia — A little known Islamic militant group has claimed responsibility for the Oct. 12 Bali blasts and is threatening new attacks against Westerners, according to a Web site mentioned by the top suspect in the blasts.

"Let it be known that every single drop of Muslim blood, be it from any nationality or from whatever place, will be remembered and accounted for," said a message on the site run by a group calling itself al-Katibul Maut al-Alamiya, or the International Death Brigade.

Jakarta's Kompas newspaper said Imam Samudra, one of the alleged masterminds behind the Bali bombings, told one of its reporters about the site and said it contained information on the basics of his struggle. The paper said the reporter briefly interviewed Samudra, who was arrested last month, at a jail on Bali.

"Our hearts are in pain and we will harness the pain and death of our brothers and sisters," the Internet message reads. "We will never let your cruelty on our brothers go unpunished. You will bear the consequences of your actions..."

## NATIONAL

VALLEJO, Calif. — It turns out that Shea Brown, a typically rambunctious boy who watched cartoons, played football and inhaled fast food like any 6-year-old, was hiding in plain sight.

He disappeared in 1996 as an infant, seen being carried away from his house the day his mother was shot and her body burned in an unsolved murder that haunted police and this community.

Then came the anonymous tip that led police to arrest the woman Shea knew as his mother and grandmother. They are accused of kidnapping the boy and raising him only a few miles from where the murder took place.

Now the boy — born Le-Zhan Williams — is in protective custody while authorities figure out how to reintroduce him to the family he's never known. And that family is trying to reconcile their own joy with the frustration that their missing boy was always just across town.

SAN FRANCISCO — The California Coastal Commission deadlocked Wednesday in a vote to select a new leader, stalling a move that some feared

could tilt the powerful panel away from coastal protection.

The vote came after preservation activist Sara Wan, the current chairwoman, decided to pull her name from consideration. Because the 12 board members split their votes between colleagues Dave Potter and Mike Reilly, Wan will remain chairwoman until another vote can be held.

Commissioner Christina Dessers said afterward the panel may take up the vote again on Thursday. If not, commissioners could vote at their next meeting in January.

The election is the latest tempest for the commission that oversees some of the nation's most prized real estate. It rules on proposals ranging from seaside golf resorts to celebrities' requests to expand their villas. It also has say over near-shore oil drilling off the California coast.

## WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON — While a young GOP congressional leader two decades ago, Trent Lott declared that "racial discrimination does not always violate public policy" as he tried to save the tax exemption of a Christian university that banned interracial dating.

In his 1981 friend-of-the-court filing with the Supreme Court, Lott cited court rulings upholding affirmative action programs at colleges and compared them to the dating ban between black and white students at Bob Jones University.

"If racial discrimination in the interest of diversity does not violate public policy, then surely discrimination in the practices of religion is no violation," he argued, in asking the justices to block the Internal Revenue Service from stripping the school's tax exemption. At the time, he was the Republicans' new whip, the second highest position in the House GOP hierarchy.

Now the Senate's top Republican, Lott is battling to quell criticisms, fueled by Democrats, over remarks he made at a birthday party last week for 100-year-old Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C. Lott had suggested the country would have been better off if Thurmond, running for president on a pro-segregationist ticket in 1948, had won.

WASHINGTON — President Bush is enacting by executive fiat key pieces of his divisive "faith-based initiative," including one that lets federal contractors display religious favoritism in their hiring.

Hoping to involve churches and religious organizations more deeply in government efforts to address social ills, Bush today was signing an executive order aimed at giving those groups a leg up in the competition for federal money, administration officials said. His plan was also the subject of a speech to religious and charitable leaders in Philadelphia.

The president began pushing the issue on Capitol Hill in his second week in office and ran into a fierce debate over how religious groups could get government money without running afoul of the constitutional separation of church and state.

He was successful in the House but

the Senate wouldn't even give him a watered-down version that focused on tax breaks for charitable giving.

WASHINGTON — The seizure and release of a North Korean missile shipment bound for Yemen could further alienate the reclusive dictatorship in Pyongyang and hurt U.S. efforts to pressure the regime to end its nuclear weapons program, analysts say.

The United States has never publicly tried to intercept a North Korean missile shipment. North Korea observers say this week's incident in the Arabian Sea might actually lead North Korea to accelerate its nuclear weapons program.

"It undercuts our goals and it looks like the Keystone Kops," said Lee Feinstein, a former State Department official under President Clinton. "We're snatching defeat from the jaws of victory. It's difficult to track these missile shipments, then when we have a major success in tracking and boarding this ship, we have to let it go."

Or, North Korea could interpret the move as a signal that the United States has abandoned diplomatic overtures in favor of hardball tactics, said Daniel Pinkston, a Korea expert at the Monterey Institute for International Studies.

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## Thursday Evening

December 12, 2002

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KLBY/ABC	The Best Commercial	Primetime Thursday	Local	Nightline	Up Close	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local
KBSL/CBS	CSI: Crime Scene	Without a Trace	Local	Late Show	Late Late Show	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local
KSNW/NBC	Will & G	Miami	ER	Local	Tonight Show	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local
KUSA/NBC	Friends	Scrubs	Will & G	Miami	ER	Local	Tonight Show	Local	Local	Local
KDVR/FOX	Down to You	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local

### Cable Channels

A & E	Columbo	Third Watch	Biography	Columbo
AMC	Death Hunt	To Hell and Back	Death Hunt	Death Hunt
CMT	Most Wanted Live	Best of Showcase	Most Wanted Live	Inside Fame
CNN	Larry King Live	Newsnight	Connie	Lou Dobb
DISC	A Dog's Life	World's Largest Mall	Bermuda Triangle	TBA
E!	Diff'rent Strokes	AnnaNicol	AnnaNicol	Howard Stern
ESPN	ESPN Thursday Night Hockey	SportsCenter	Season	SportsCenter
ESPN2	High School Basketball	Pro Billiar	Pardon	National Finals Rodeo
FAM	Rudolph's Shiny New	Jack Frost	700 Club	The Caroline Rhea Sh
FX	NL's Vacation	Reality	The Practice	NL's Vacation
HGTV	Dsgn4Sex	Challenge	Hunters	Hunters
HIST	Vendettas	Chesapeake Bay Brid	Murder on the Run	Judas: Traitor or Frien
LIFE	Holy Joe, Man of Miracles	Golden Gr	Golden Gr	Nanny

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MTV	Primetime Players	3 South	Fashionably Loud	All Things Rock	MTV After Hours
NICK	TBA	Rckt Pwr	Arnold!	Rugrats	Cosby
SCI	Taken Part 9 - John	Arnold!	Rugrats	Doug	Cosby
TBS	Interview With the Vampire	Firestarter	Interview With the Vampire	Interview With the Vampire	Interview With the Vampire
TCM	The Lavender Hill Mob	The Man i	The Ladykillers	All At Sea	All At Sea
TLC	Armageddon on Whe	Daring Capers	Monster Machines	Tornado	Tornado
TNN	Star Trek: Generation	Star Trek: Generation	Star Trek: Generation	VIP	Baywatch
TNT	NBA Detroit @ Chicago	NBA New Orleans @	Inside the NBA	Lost in Sp	Lost in Sp
TRAV	America's National Parks	Places to Spend	America's National Parks	America's National Parks	America's National Parks
TV LAND	Gilligan's	Munsters	Andy Griff	Beaver	Bev Hill
USA	The Man in the Iron Mask	JAG	Nash Bridges	Nash Bridges	Nash Bridges
VH1	The Temptations	Celebrity	Heat of the Night	Matlock	Susan
WGN	Oliver & Company	Celebrity	Heat of the Night	Matlock	Susan

### Premium Channels

HBO	Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone	Inside the	Meet the Parents
MAX	Dangerous Minds	Monkeybone	Hearts in Atlantis
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KLBY/ABC	Drew Car	Whose Lin	20/20	Local	Nightline	Up Close	Local	Local	Local	Local
KBSL/CBS	Robbie	Robbie	48 Hours	Local	Late Show	Late Late Show	Local	Local	Local	Local
KSNW/NBC	Dateline NBC	Law & Order: SVU	Local	Tonight Show	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local
KUSA/NBC	Providence	Dateline NBC	Law & Order: SVU	Local	Tonight Show	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local
KDVR/FOX	Firefly	John Doe	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local	Local

### Cable Channels

A & E	Tootsie	Making of	Biography	Tootsie
AMC	Bullitt	Halloween 4	The Abom	The Abom
CMT	Let It Be Christmas	Top 20 Countdown	Most Wanted Live	CMT 3rd Shift
CNN	Larry King Live	Newsnight	Connie	Lou Dobb
DISC	Great Croc Trail	FBI Files	Jules' Most Dangerou	Madame Tussaud's
E!	New Kids on the Block	Tiffany	Howard Stern	Wild On Taiwan
ESPN	NBA Friday	NBA Friday	National Finals Rodeo	National Finals Rodeo
ESPN2	Friday Night Fights	SportsCenter	NFL2Night	NHL2Night
FAM	The Preacher's Wife	Reality	The Caroline Rhea Sh	Paid Prog
FX	Fire Down Below	Reality	The Practice	Fire Down Below
HGTV	Toys We Grew Up Wit	Christmas Behind	Collectible/Holidays	Toys We Grew Up Wit
HIST	Vendettas	Saloons	Cattle Ranches	Pure Evil
LIFE	Stolen Miracle	Golden Gr	Golden Gr	As Good As Dead

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MTV	MTV Sports Unlimited	Music Videos	\$2 Bill	MTV After Hours
NICK	TBA	Rckt Pwr	Arnold!	Rugrats
SCI	Taken Part 10 - Taken	Taken Part 10 - Taken	Taken Part 10 - Taken	Taken Part 10 - Taken
TBS	Christmas Rush	The Pelican Brief	A Kidnapping in the Family	A Kidnapping in the Family
TCM	White Lightening	Smokey and the Band	Thunder Road	Thunder Road
TLC	Speed Traps	Med Dete	Med Dete	Hackers: Outlaws &
TNN	Star Trek: Generation	Star Trek: Generation	Star Trek: Generation	Oblivious
TNT	The Wizard of Oz	Matilda	Hocus Pocus	Hocus Pocus
TRAV	Below the Volcano	Volcano Hunters	Extreme Weather	Below the Volcano
TV LAND	Gilligan's	Munsters	Andy Griff	Beaver
USA	Out of Sight	Law & Order: CI	Monk	Elmore Le
VH1	Driven	Shania Twain	Behind the Music	Shania Twain
WGN	An All Dogs Christmas Carol	Celebrity	Heat of the Night	Matlock

### Premium Channels

HBO	The Legend of Bagger Vance	Pavement	Chris Roc	OZ
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