



# FREEDOM WATCH



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## News briefs

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### Special Ops forces take fire

With the continuation of patrolling and reconnaissance by coalition members in Konar providance, U.S. Special Operations came under enemy mortar fire around 8:30 p.m., Monday. They returned fire, engaging enemy forces and called in close air support.

Two F/A-18 attack jets dropped two Mark-82 bombs in the area where the mortars came from. There were no friendly casualties and battle damage assessment is ongoing.

Other Special Ops forces near Khowst came under 107mm rocket attack at 2 a.m., Tuesday. The rocket hit approximately 1 kilometer from the airfield there.

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## Afghan students receive school supplies

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**BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan** – A Reserve unit from Knoxville, Tenn. is making sure the local population has every tool necessary to learn.

Several soldiers from the 489th Civil Affairs Battalion drove out to a local Afghan school to deliver school supplies, check surrounding locations and visit an aid station.



Staff Sgt. Lenice Redmon listens as Afghan children gather around him during his humanitarian visit to a local school.

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## Polish army greets military bishop, Poland's Minister of Defense

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**BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan** — The Polish Army had a busy weekend as they hosted two prominent figures from their country.

The Polish Military Bishop, Maj. Gen. Dr. Slawoj Leszek Glodz, took part in an afternoon mass with a capacity crowd at the Polish compound. It was the first time a Roman Catholic bishop gave mass in Afghanistan.

Everyone, includ-



Lt. Gen. Dan McNeill, CJTF-180 commanding general, talks with the Polish Military Bishop, Maj. Gen. Dr. Slawoj Leszek Glodz during Sunday's Mass.

ing commanders representing every nation in Bagram, was present as Protestant Gospel choir sang.

An hour after the service, Poland's Minister of Defense visited

the compound to shake hands with the troops and talk with the bishop. The minister was then taken to meet with Combined Joint Task Force-180 Commander, Lt. Gen. Dan McNeill.

## Diplomacy now part of Army toolkit

By Joe Burlas  
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**WASHINGTON** — Diplomacy is becoming more important — and effective — for Army leaders working in the international community thanks to efforts of Christine D. Shelly, said the Army's top uniformed soldier recently.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric K. Shinseki expressed that view June 18 during a Pentagon awards ceremony for

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Photo by Spc. Alfredo Jimenez Jr.

**Maj. Bryan Cole, of the 489th Civil Affairs Battalion, speaks with a translator during his unit's visit to a nearby school.**

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"We worked with the Afghan government minister of education to distribute school supplies," said Maj. Bryan Cole, of the 489<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Battalion. "They've had years and years of propaganda where we were portrayed as the evil empire thinking only about Americans. But when we come through with something like this, it can't help but change our image for the better."

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489th Civil Affairs Bn.

As the soldiers arrived with the supplies, which came from Kabul, hundreds of children converged on the three-car convoy. The materials eventually made it inside, but the sight of kids gathering around sent an important message.

"This shows that Afghanistan is stepping up to take care of schools," Cole said. The convoy later found its way to an aid station currently in operation, but still very much in need. Cole said they make sure the aid station receives everything the Afghans need, including a generator.

"It makes me feel good," Cole said. "It's like we are protecting our soldiers. If we are giving them a helping hand, they are less likely to hurt us."

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Shelly, a Department of State employee who has served as his political advisor for the past three years.

Known around the building as the Army POLAD — a short name for political advisor, Shelly garnered the Distinguished Civilian Service Medal from the Army and the Superior Service Award from the State Department at the ceremony.

"The three years Christine has been working with me have been immensely productive, exciting, and I am doing things today that three years ago I couldn't have imagined," Shinseki said.

One of those unimagined things was sponsoring the first southern European military chiefs of staff meeting last year, Shinseki said. That was a real challenge in getting the military chiefs of Turkey and Cyprus to sit at the same table and freely discuss issues and concerns. That meeting couldn't have happened without the active work and continuous sound political advice of Shelly, he said.

The Army award citation credited Shelly for keeping the Army up-to-date on

positions being debated within the interagency community and implementing effective bridge-building initiatives that have brought the Army and State Department closer within the foreign affairs community.

Shinseki said he had never seen the importance of diplomacy in the Army until the Stabilization Force mission in Bosnia was extended from being one year to 18 months, and then open-ended.

"The easy part of the mission change was putting together a military plan," Shinseki said, who served as the first SFOR commander. "The Army has a lot of bright young officers who have learned to put together a plan on short notice. The difficult part was getting it accepted across the 40-plus nations who were then in Bosnia."

In presenting the State Department award, Louis P. Bloomfield Jr., assistant secretary of State for the Bureau of Political Military Affairs, said Shelly possessed every quality of a successful military political advisor.

Bloomfield listed those qualities: loyalty to the commander she serves; a solid understanding of State De-

partment and military policies and issues; a sharp, analytical mind; solid communications skills; and tremendous enthusiasm.

The awards ceremony marked the end of Shelly's job as the Army POLAD.

With 27 years on the State Department's Foreign Service rolls, Shelly will continue as both an Army partner and a State Department employee when she assumes duties July 1 as the Army War College deputy commandant for International Affairs at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Her previous positions include: deputy spokesman and deputy assistant secretary for the State Department Public Affairs; delegate of the U.S. Mission to NATO; and minister-counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa, Canada. She has also served in the U.S. Embassies in Lisbon, Portugal and Cairo, Egypt.

Dr. Rick Becker will become the new Army POLAD July 29.

Becker's previous posting was Panama U.S. Embassy where he served as the deputy chief of mission.

## Safety tip:

*If you come across any unexploded ordnance, DO NOT touch it! Mark the area clearly, then report the location to your chain of command.*

# HIND SIGHT

**1900**

Dr. Walter Reed begins research that ultimately beats Yellow Fever

**1902**

England establishes the Order of Merit

**1917**

1st American Expeditionary Force arrives in France during WW I

**1959**

Queen Elizabeth and President Dwight D. Eisenhower open the St. Lawrence Seaway

**1982**

U.S. vetos U.N. Security Council resolution for a limited withdrawal from Beirut of Israeli and Palestine Liberation Organization forces

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There were no friendly casualties, and the incident is still under investigation by security patrol.

Kohost village elders approached the coalition forces and stated they wanted to help. They also wanted to help negotiate a peaceful search of the area with the others in the area. As a result, a substantial amount of ammunition was recovered.

## Suspect apprehended in Orgun

A man emplacing a mine was observed Monday in Orgun by U.S. Special Forces. He was taken into custody and transported here to Bagram, where coalition forces are finding out his identity and status.

# Local weather

## TWO-DAY REGIONAL WEATHER REPORT:

	<u>Today</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
<b><u>Bagram:</u></b>	Partly cloudy H: 99F L: 66F	Showers H: 99F L: 66F
<b><u>Kandahar:</u></b>	Haze H: 108F L: 70F	Haze H: 109F L: 70F
<b><u>Kabul:</u></b>	Partly cloudy H: 91F L: 57F	Showers H: 93F L: 59F
<b><u>Uzbekistan:</u></b>	Clear H: 96F L: 53F	Clear H: 96F L: 53F

Weather forecast courtesy of the Bagram Combat Weather Team

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# COALITION SPORTSZONE

## The Day in Sports

### Hasek retires after winning lone Cup

Dominik Hasek, one of the greatest goaltenders in modern NHL history, retired Tuesday. The six-time Vezina trophy winner also won two Hart trophies.

"The Dominator" made the announcement two weeks after leading Detroit to the Stanley Cup, his only championship.

### Sampras, Agassi roll on in Wimbledon

Pete Sampras, who hasn't won a tourney since winning the 2000 Wimbledon title, and Andre Agassi, who is trying to set a record for most years between titles, both won in straight sets to kick off the third leg of the Grand Slam.

Sampras hit 27 aces and 40 more winners to defeat Martin Lee of Britain, 6-3, 7-6(1), 6-3. Agassi beat Harel Levy 6-0, 6-4, 6-4.

### Germany ends S. Korea's dream run

Michael Ballack scored in the 75th minute to lead Germany to the 2002 World Cup final. It will be the first time a unified German squad will vie for the title. They won it as West Germany in 1956, 1974 and 1990.

They will seek to tie Brazil for the most World Cup titles as they meet the winner of the Turkey-Brazil matchup.

### Boxer suddenly dies 36 hours after fight

A Panamanian fighter collapsed and died in his hotel room after he was stopped in his title fight.

Pedro Alcazar was taking a shower preparing to fly home when he collapsed. The 26-year-old had been examined in the ring after the bout but nothing was found to be wrong.

He was a single parent of two, began boxing at the age of 10, and was a gold medalist in the Central American Games.

## July 4th 10K run

Iron Rakkasan will host an Independence Day 10k Run at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan.

The entry fee is \$15, which includes a T-shirt.

To sign up, visit the 3rd Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment S-4 shop; any 3rd Bn., 187th Inf. company headquarters in Viper City; at the mayor's office in Motel 6; or at the SSA.

For more information, call Capt. Christian Teutsch at 640-1116.

## 2002 World Cup First Round Standings

<b>Group A</b>			<b>Group E</b>		
x-Denmark	2-0-1	7	x-Germany	2-0-1	7
y-Senegal	1-0-2	5	y-Ireland	1-0-2	5
Uruguay	0-1-2	2	Cameroon	1-1-1	4
France	0-2-1	1	Saudi Arabia	0-3-0	0
<b>Group B</b>			<b>Group F</b>		
x-Spain	3-0-0	9	x-Sweden	1-0-2	5
y-Paraguay	1-1-1	4	y-England	1-0-2	5
South Africa	1-1-1	4	Argentina	1-1-1	4
Slovenia	0-3-0	0	Nigeria	0-2-1	1
<b>Group C</b>			<b>Group G</b>		
x-Brazil	3-0-0	9	x-Mexico	2-0-1	7
y-Turkey	1-1-1	4	y-Italy	1-1-1	4
Costa Rica	1-1-1	4	Croatia	1-2-0	3
China	0-3-0	0	Ecuador	1-2-0	3
<b>Group D</b>			<b>Group H</b>		
x-South Korea	2-0-1	7	x-Japan	2-0-1	7
y-United States	1-1-1	4	y-Belgium	1-0-2	5
Portugal	1-2-0	3	Russia	1-2-0	3
Poland	1-2-0	3	Tunisia	0-2-1	1

## World Cup second round schedule

Germany 1-0 Paraguay

England 3-0 Denmark

Senegal 2-1, OT, Sweden

Spain 1-1 Ireland (Spain advances 3-2 PKs)

United States 2-0 Mexico

Brazil 2-0 Belgium

Turkey 1-0 Japan

South Korea 2-1, OT, Italy

## World Cup quarterfinals

Germany 1-0 United States

Brazil 1-0 England

Turkey 1-0, OT, Senegal

South Korea 0-0 Spain (S. Korea wins 5-3 in PKs)

## World Cup semifinals

Germany 1-0 South Korea

Today — Brazil v. Turkey

## World Cup Final @ Yokohama, Japan

June 30 — Germany v. Brazil/Turkey