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MEMORIAL TO FLIGHT VICTIMS



Uniforms representing the 22 pilots, attendants, and customer service representatives killed Sept. 11 aboard the American and United airlines flights from Boston lined the stage yesterday during a Service for Remembrance at City Hall Plaza. An estimated 25,000 people attended. A23.

Hazardous material trucks scrutinized

By Raphael Lewis

Massachusetts State Police pulled over about 200 trucks ferrying hazardous cargo yesterday in the first day of a quiet campaign to find truckers with possible ties to the Sept. 11 terrorist

The new strategy started a few hours before the US Department of Transportation issued a memo ordering law enforcement agencies nationwide to begin stopping and scrutinizing vehicles and drivers ferrying gasoline, explosives, chemicals, or other dangerous materials. The order goes into effect today.

es to the hijackers and Osama bin Laden, whom the United States has called the prime suspect in orchestrating the attacks, have been arrested nationwide for obtaining or trying to ob-

tain driver's licenses to haul hazardous material such as explosives and fuel, US Attorney General John D. Ashcroft said Tuesday.

With that in mind, the 33 troopers of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Section, who enjoy broad powers to stop trucks without a need for probable cause, began pulling over truck drivers at 7 a.m. yesterday, running their license information through a national database of all commercial drivers' licenses and interviewing them, said Lieutenant Rod Hendrigan, commander of the commercial vehicle section.

The campaign has no foreseeable At least 20 people with possible end, he said, adding that no suspicious drivers were found by early

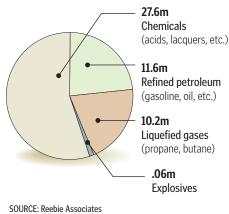
"This is a simple matter of reading the paper," Hendrigan said of his deci-**HAZARDOUS, Page A8**

Dangerous cargo

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Hazardous material transported nationwide in 2000.

IN MILLIONS OF TRUCKLOADS



Bush wants air marshals, safer cockpits

Encourages flying; not seen backing federalized security

By Anne E. Kornblut

WASHINGTON - President Bush plans to propose new security measures for US aviation today, including dramatically increasing the number of federal marshals on commercial flights and requiring stricter cockpit security to thwart potential hijackers, officials said.

Bush is not expected to endorse a plan to federalize airport security, although he is likely to seek tougher federal standards for the training and background checks, a White House official said. The president is scheduled to fly to Chicago this morning for the announcement.

The new steps are part of a broader White House attempt to bolster consumer confidence in the US economy, which plunged following the terrorist attacks and has contributed to a slumping economy worldwide. Bush, who will meet today with commercial airline workers at O'Hare International Airport, said yesterday that he hopes "to convince the American public it is safe to fly.'

But some members of Congress expressed concern last night that Bush might not go far enough. Senator John F. Kerry, Democrat of Massachusetts and cosponsor of a bill that would put all airport security under federal control, cautioned that the nation "just cannot afford halfway solutions right now, when the safety of millions of airways passengers is on the

Following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the Federal Aviation Administracarrying of sharp objects on commercial flights. But flights are still off 1,000 per day. Only 4,500 to 5,500 of the usual AIRLINE SECURITY, Page A12

Terrorism bill may limit scope of detentions

By Susan Milligan and Mary Leonard

WASHINGTON - The Bush administration yesterday signaled a willingness to compromise on some provisions of a sweeping antiterrorism bill, in an effort to avoid a contentious debate over civil liberties, congressional

In a document sent to the Senate Judiciary Committee last night, the Justice Department proposed a legal standard that, compared with its original proposal, would make it more difficult to detain an immigrant on suspicion of terrorist activity.

In addition, two House Judiciary Committee members who have been negotiating directly with Justice Department officials said the administration also had agreed to abandon its proposal for indefinite detentions and is asking instead for a seven-day limit. After seven days, the government would have to deport the detainee, file charges, or let the immigrant go, said Representative Barney Frank, a Newton Democrat

Frank, a member of the House Judiciary Committee, said the Justice Department is also dropping its request for authority to use evidence against US citizens obtained by foreign governments' wiretaps. Civil libertarians argued that wiretaps obtained without a ual's Fourth Amendment protection

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Inside Today

Bin Laden's empire

The Saudi exile appears to have built much of his financial, fundraising, and terrorist network during a six-year stay in Sudan. A18.

Lapses at Logan

Massachusetts Port Authority executive director Virginia Buckingham says the airport cannot fix the security problems. A22. Acting Governor Jane M. Swift readies a list of prominent appointees for the panel charged with overhauling Logan operations. City & Region, B1.

The costs so far

The price tag is \$55 billion in the effort to battle terrorism and rebuild the economy. Business, C1.

Pondering the impact

Observers are struck by a lack of terror, rage, or panic in the land. Living/Arts, D1.

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N.H. Guard unit feels the true tug of war

By Bella English

ORTSMOUTH, N.H. - Sherri and Mike Daigle eloped to Las Vegas on Aug. 14. It was, after all, where they met a year ago. He was flying back from a conference; she was leaving a convention. They sat next to each other on the US Airways flight. By the time they got back East, she says, they were in love.

But lately, there's been tension in their Dover home. Mike Daigle, 44, belongs to the Air National Guard of New Hampshire, the country's oldest. As a part-time member of the 157th Aerial Refueling Wing, he could be called at any moment to join Operation Enduring Freedom. In civilian life, he works on submarines at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. One weekend a month and two weeks a year, he's a National Guardsman — something his bride knew, but didn't really comprehend. Until Sept. 11.

"I mean, he always said he was in the National Guard," says Sherri Daigle. "But I never in a million years expected this."

By "this" she means the terrorist attack on America and the subsequent activation of her husband's unit. The 157th has been told by the Department of Defense that 210 of its 1,000 members may be called to go

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Air National Guard Master Sergeant Tim Long inspecting a jet engine at Pease air base.

'Rogue' nations furnish intelligence

States on US list provide assistance

GLOBE STAFF CHART

By John Donnelly and Anthony Shadid

WASHINGTON - In a dramatic foreign policy turnabout, the Bush administration has sought and in some cases received help from four states considered sponsors of terrorism as it probes the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington, US officials confirmed yesterday.

The administration already has received intelligence on Osama bin Laden's Al Qaeda organization from Libya, Syria, and Sudan, a country that the United States bombed in 1998 and was home to bin Laden until 1996.

The United States also hopes to receive intelligence on Afghan drug networks from Iran, the officials said, because of the possible links between the drug trade and bin Laden's organization.

In addition, a senior administration official said a fifth country on the US list of states sponsoring terrorism, North Korea, also may soon be asked to provide intelligence on terror groups.

"Who would have thought it?" said the senior US official, speaking on condition of anonymity, about the responses from the states called rogues only a year ago. "This is a fertile opportunity for nations to do business differently. It took ... an historical event like this to capture the attention of countries that they didn't have to do things in a certain way anymore."

A sixth state on the list, Cuba, which expressed condolences and offered assistance, will not be INTELLIGENCE, Page A21



Afghan children at a soup kitchen yesterday in Karachi, Pakistan, where about 100,000 refugees live. Pakistan plans to keep its borders closed.

UN warns of looming crisis of 1.5m Afghan refugees

By Colin Nickerson and Indira A.R. Lakshmanan

PESHAWAR, Pakistan — As United Nations officials warned yesterday of a "humanitarian crisis" inside war-shattered, drought-ridden Afghanistan, Pakistan announced that it will keep its borders sealed, at least for now, against what relief officials predict could turn into an onslaught of 1.5 million refugees terrified by the prospect of American-led retaliatory attacks.

Afghans are also fleeing intensified fighting between the Islamic fundamentalist Taliban regime and a ragtag rebel alliance that is suddenly receiving strong encouragement — if not yet direct military support - from the United States and Britain.

Refugees already encamped in huge numbers in Pakistan fear their long-suffering homeland is spiraling into greater chaos as winter draws near. They hold the United States responsible.

"Even the cruel Americans must feel some pity for our ruined country," said Haji Hayatullah, 37, whose family found safety, if little comfort, in one of the stinking, clamorous refugee camps already providing basics to the 2 million Afghans forced into Pakistan by 23

years of fighting and drought. "Desperation and despair have become normal for every Afghan," he said. REFUGEES, Page A20