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Tonight I have ordered U.S. military units into action in the Mediterranean and in Libya. Their mission: to support Egyptian forces and legitimate Libyan political forces in opposition to the outlaw regime of Col. Muammar Qadhafi.

I am pleased to report that the first phase of the operation is complete and successful. Libya's sophisticated air defense network, coastal air force, submarines and naval power projection capability have been destroyed -- as has the insidious Libyan nuclear research complex. Limited additional operations are planned to enable the Egyptians and the new government to consolidate its authority. Egypt is in control of Libyan oil production facilities which have provided the revenue for Qadhafi's campaign of terror and aggression. These will be returned to the new government once order has been restored.

Everyone knows that Col. Qadhafi has been a major international nuisance, but America does not resort to force against mere nuisances. Qadhafi has represented something far more serious, and more deadly: he has been the world's Number One current terrorist. During more than fifteen years in power virtually his every action has been an act of war against his neighbors, against international decency, or against peace among nations.

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It has frequently been an act of war against the United States itself..

To understand fully the actions that we and our Egyptian friends have taken, the American people need to understand this record, and his role in spreading terrorism around the globe.

Col. Qadhafi has, for example, operated training camps (ten that we know of) for foreign terrorist groups of all kinds, offering instruction in explosive devices, in hijacking, assassination, and other terrorist techniques. Scholarships, in other words, to learn and perfect the murder of innocents — the unsuspecting, the inconvenient, or those who bravely raised their voices to question Qadhafi's rule.

We estimate that he has trained ____ thousand terrorists

during the past ____ years. It's hard, of course, to track the individual deeds of those who graduate from Qadhafi's terror schools. But we do know how they make their mark -- by creating personal tragedies. Like the unwary tourists from ____ and ___ who sat in the cafe in ____, when the bomb went off, killing ____ of them. It wad been set by ____, whose members are graduates in good standing of Qadhafi's camps. Or [second personalized example].

Or take the victims of Libya's own hit squads, whose members fan out over Western Europe and the United States to murder

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Qadhafi's critics -- three in Greece last summer, another in West Germany last March, and so one. [Details about one or two?]

Last month our FBI disrupted plans for attacks on Libyan dissidents living in the US. We stopped him then, but he's said he'd try again. [Terror in the heart of America quote.]

These are a few examples but the list could go on and on, from the Libyan assasination teams that entered the US four years with orders to kill American officials, to the truck filled with explosives that was to be used in Libyan plot against the US Embassy in Cairo. We can be grateful that Egyptian intelligence intercepted it in time.

Qadhafi has never made a real effort to hide his purposes. We of This year, he and his Number Two have on five separate occasions publicly extolled suicide terrorist operations against US personnel in Lebanon. [Further details on Libyan support?] We were listening, for we haven't forgotten that those who organized the we attacks on American marines in Beirut did so with Libyan support.

What sort of man makes it his calling to subsidize, encourage and manage terrorist activities? The international community grows accustomed to such behavior only at great peril. This is particularly true because Qadhafi's policies have not stopped at terrorism alone. His record is a long one, of aggression by any and all other means.

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Consider how he has treated his neighbors. In early 1984 Libyan planes conducted a bombing raid near the capital of Sudan, south-east of Libya. Over five years ago Qadhafi's forces invaded Chad, to Libya's south. They remain there today disturbing that nation's peace. They were behind an attempt to kill the President of Chad with a briefcase bomb last fall. They are building an airfield to bring the capital of Chad in reach of Libyan planes.

Col. Qadhafi has also repeatedly threatened to invade Egypt, to the east, and has personally led troops to the border. He cheered the assassination of Answar Sadat. And last year Libyan ships mined the Red Sea and Suez Canal in hopes of disrupting Egyptian commerce.

And to the west -- well, Libyan radio broadcasts have urged the people of North Africa to kill Jews living there and threatened the leader of Tunisia, President Bourguiba.

At a greater distance, Col. Qadhafi has supplied the missiles to Iran that have been repeatedly used against Iraqi cities. And here in our own neighborhood he has armed Nicaragua, helping the Sandinistas to threaten their neighbors.

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He has been aggressively working to develop an indigenous nuclear capability, presumably to add nuclear terror and coercion to an already formidable repetoire. His conventional military capabilities have also been steadily growing, courtesy of the Soviet Union. Moscow has been his regular arms supplier, has stockpiled vast quantities of arms and equipment in Libya and gained expanded access for its own military forces in the Mediterranean. Among other things, Libyan submarines are being trained to conduct anti-shipping operations in the Mediterranean.

The record, then, establishes Col. Qadhafi beyond doubt as an international criminal and a leading member of a global terror network. But what has persuaded us to act now? Last month, we received reports of new operations planned by Colonel Qadhafi. [Threat to mine Red Sea? Sabotage Aswan Dam? Subvert Sudan? Etc.]

In consultation with President Mubarak of Egypt, Anwar Sadat's successor, I concluded that it was irresponsible to continue simply reacting to each of Qadhafi's successive acts of war. To continue in this way means that we will always confront criminals at a time and place of their choosing. It means that poor countries with limited resources will find it harder to focus on their people's real problems. It means that would-be peacemakers will always live under the gun.

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Naturally we act with great caution and reluctance, for force must be a last resort in international politics. But international order and our ingrained respect for the rights of others don't mean that we have to let every criminal play out his violent plans indefinitely:

- -- just because most of his victims are weak and cannot strike back themselves,
- -- just because he has captured a government and murdered much of his internal opposition,
- -- just because he covers his tracks by working through a network of international terror.
- It's aggression all the same, made possible because Col.

 Qadhafi has believed he could count on others to be passive. But he counted wrong. If we really care about peace, we have to be ready to protect it against its most reckless and relentless enemies.

Tonight a provisional government is in place in the Libyan capital. It is composed of the exiled democratic opposition to Qadhafi, those whom he has acted to murder and intimidate when they sought a safe haven abroad.

The new government is recognized by all of Libya's neighbors in northern Africa and by the United States. We expect that it

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will soon be recognized by the rest of the international community.

After what Col. Qadhafi has done to his country, and despite the extraordinary wealth of Libya, this new government has its work cut out for it. Let me assure them tonight that we stand ready to help materially, as they begin to restore a political system in their country that is responsive to the will and needs of the people.

I pledge that US forces in Egypt and the Gulf of Sidra will withdraw as soon as possible, as soon as their job is done. At the request of the new government, a small peacekeeping force contributed by Libya's neighbors may have to remain for a slightly longer period, to perform police and related functions.

We see no reason for this stay to be any longer than absolutely necessary. It is the Libyan people who have suffered most under Col. Qadhafi's regime, but their nightmare is over at last and they can now set to work together to manage their own affairs again.

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That is, instead of saying that Qadhafi has trained 6573 terrorists, let's have those figures plus some examples. "Consider for a moment the work of just a few of those 6573 . . . consider for a moment the case of Sean Flynn who, having left Qadhafi's camp in 1978, returned to Ireland and within two weeks had burst into the home of Kevin Casey and murdered him, his wife and three young children. . . or perhaps the case of Felipe Baguio, a Philippino who graduated in 1979 and upon his return to Mindanao accounted for three car bomb blasts in downtown which killed 35 innocent women and children. . . or perhaps the case of Mohammed Daoud who returned home from Libya in 1980 and has since been responsible for the murders of and car bombs which killed . ____ or ____ or Or think about . Think about these things. What kind of person is this? What standard of immorality does this represent? Where will it happen next. . . to Prime Minister as he hoped in April 1984, to children in Belfast. . . or to Americans in Beirut or Baltimore?"

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My fellow Americans. I come before you tonight to advise that less than an hour ago, the United States acted to help rid the world of a terrorist menace which threatened not only our way of life--but the whole of the civilized world as well.

Earlier this evening, I ordered U.S. military units to support Egyptian military forces and the legitimate Libyan political opposition in replacing the outlaw regime of Colonel Muammar Qadhafi. I can tell you that the first phase of this operation is complete and has been successful. The Soviet-supplied Libyan air force, submarines, and naval forces have been destroyed--as has the Libyan nuclear facility. No U.S. forces, other than those required to protect Americans in Libya, have been placed in the country. These personnel will be withdrawn as soon as we are sure that our American citizens are safe.

Some limited additional U.S. military operations are planned in support of Egyptian forces and to assist the new Libyan government in consolidating its authority. Egyptian military units have taken control of Libyan oil production facilities which have provided the revenue for Qadhafi's campaign of terror and aggression. These will be placed under the control of the new government once order has been established.

I can assure you that every effort is being made to minimize the risk to civilians. U.S. and Egyptian forces have reported widespread support among the Libyan people in ridding them of Qadhafi's oppressive rule.

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During more than fifteen years in power, Qadhafi's record has been one of war against his neighbors, against international decency, and against peace among the nations. His promotion of subversive and terrorist violence in every region of the world outside of the Soviet bloc has been without parallel in the post—war period. He has in fact, engaged in acts of war against the United States itself.

Qadhafi's record and his role in spreading terrorism around the globe has posed an increasing threat to stability and has placed Americans at risk in nearly every country of the world. From Colonel Qadhafi's eleven terrorist training camps have spewed forth over 10,000 foreign terrorists of all kinds. These centers of brutality and murder offered the broad curriculum of instruction and explosive devices, hijacking, assassination and other terrorist techniques. Qadhafi virtually offered scholarships to those who wanted to learn how to murder the innocent and unsuspecting those who bravely raised their voices to question Qadhafi's despotic rule.

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The graduates of these terror schools have been indoctrinated with every kind of radical ideology and well-trained in subversive tactics and paramilitary operations. The so-called Seven April Camp near Tripoli has been the most accurate. As of yesterday, there were nearly 300 foreign nationals undergoing terror training there. Many sub-Saharan Africans--Chadians, Malians, and Nigerians, as well as radical Palestinians, Armenians, and Latin Americans have been coached at this camp in the tactics required to violently overthrow their governments. Reliable evidence shows that over 100 M-19 terrorists from Colombia have been trained here.

In one of Qadhafi's other camps in southern Libya, Chadian rebels have been trained to destroy the government of President Habre in Chad. Many of the graduates of Qadhafi's death centers have returned home to establish their own "satellite" training facilities. His M-19 graduates have, for example, established a camp in southwestern Colombia to train Ecuadorian terrorists.

The bloody toll of Qadhafi's reign of terror has brought death and destruction around the globe. Since 1980, 34 Libyan exiles have been murdered or wounded by Qadhafi's own stable of "hitmen." One of these victims was a former Ambassador who helped Qadhafi seize power in 1969, but who quit his post in 1980 in disgust.

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Eighteen months ago, Qadhafi launched a sustained campaign of murder against his expatriate Libyan opponents living in Europe. Since then, seventeen attacks have occurred and numerous others have been thwarted by police and security services. Last November, the Egyptians arrested four Libyan-hired mercenaries attempting to assassinate a former Libyan Prime Minister. Qadhafi's list of victims included airline passengers, students, diplomats, and even children. In one case, two children of anti-Qadhafi Libyan exiles were poisoned by food containing thalium. When others got in the way, they were disposed of.

Just days before her wedding to another "Bobby", 25 year-old British policewoman Yvonne Fletcher, was gunned down outside the Libyan Peoples Bureau in London as those inside carried out Qadhafi's orders to "...confront the stray dogs, eliminate them and those who cooperate with them and turn Britain into hell..."

For those who opposed Qadhafi, even the United States was not a safehaven. Here in the U.S., Qadhafi's agents blinded a 19 year old Libyan student in Colorado, in an attempt to silence him forever. In June this year, our FBI disrupted plans for attacks on Libyan dissidents living in four states of our nation.

Unbelievable as it may seem, agents of the Libyan government were stalking 26 Libyan exiles and were planning to plant as many as eight bombs here in this country in an effort to eliminate them.

Qadhafi did not

send his assassins to this country to act against Libyans alone. Four years ago, he sent assassination teams here with orders to kill American officials. Qadhafi publicly bragged about his capability for "exporting terrorism to the heart of America" including "physical liquidation, destruction, and arson inside America."

For Qadhafi, the United States and the principles we stand for represented the ultimate terror target. In his boundless hatred for democracy and liberty he hoped to dishearten us, to disorient the American people, to cause disunity, and to sow discord between us and our friends. He aimed to frighten away friendly third world nations working with us for peaceful settlement of regional conflicts and the establishment of stable democratic governments. He took his warfare against us worldwide. and Major Allmad Jallud, his second in command, on five separate occasions, publicly threatened suicide terrorist operations against the U.S. stating that "there is no alternative to confronting the enemy with violence." In May of this year, he sent a truck bomb ladened with explosives to blow up our Embassy in Cairo. He vocally praised those who bombed our Marine Headquarters and embassies in Beirut and had offered to assist in further operations of this kind. The assassins, bombers, and agents he has trained pose a long-term threat in that many are now in place around the world. Until now, more were being readied to carry terror around the globe.

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While Qadhafi directly threatened United States' citizens, property and interests, he also did so indirectly. His most violent subversion was aimed at his neighbors, those of pro-western persuasion and particularly leaders who support a peaceful settlement in the Middle East. Qadhafi persistently engaged in attacks against moderate leaders in Africa and the Middle East. He cheered the assassination of Anwar Sadat, saying Libyan radio broadcasts have urged the people of North Africa to kill Jews living there and he has directly threatened the leader of Tunisia, President Bourguiba. In 1983, he attempted to assassinate all of the leaders of the Gulf Cooperation Council meeting in Qatar. For this attack, he provided three shoulderlaunched SA-7 surface-to-air missiles, silenced high-powered pistols, Kalashnikov assault rifles, and submachine guns. past 12 months, there have been four Libyan assassination plots against moderate Arab leaders, including one in January against Egyptian President Mubarak and numerous other assassination attempts against King Hussein of Jordan. Qadhafi's record of violence and his threats against pro-American world leaders speaks for itself.

Qadhafi's campaign against pro-western interests in Sudan persisted for near a decade. He actively supported Sudanese dissidents and provided military assistance to those opposed to President Nimeiri. A coup attempt against Nimeiri in 1983 was foiled with help of U.S. and Egyptian intelligence services. In

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early 1984, Libyan aircraft conducted bombing raids near the capital of Sudan. Until this very moment, the Government of Sudan has had to contend with Libyan agents feaverishly plotting to bring it under Qadhafi's banner. Since dissidents loyal to Libya's cause overthrew President Nimeiri in April, senior Libyan intelligence operatives have been active in a program of violence against moderate pro-western elements in Sudan.

Last Fall, Qadhafi launched an operation to assassinate Chadian President Habre, his entire cabinet, senior aides, foreign diplomats, and other government officials. Testimony of loyal Chadians who feigned collaboration with the Libyan assassins enabled the government to establish Qadhafi as the architect of this nefarious scheme. Analysis of the sophisticated explosive devices, timing mechanisms, and detonators constructed by the Libyans and their technical advisors demonstrated that the terror laboratories in Tripoli could create extraordinarily lethal devices, virtually undetectable to western security services.

This technical sophistication and links with other international terrorist organizations that made Libya a steadily increasing threat in the western world's campaign against terrorism.

Qadhafi's arsenals have produced thousands of terrorist weapons, as well as terrorist specific ordnance and explosive devices.

Police and security services around the world have collected a wide array of exotic and easily concealable silenced firearms for use by terrorists. In one case, the Libyan assassins were to

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pose as reporters using cameras rigged to fire small caliber bullets. In 1983, the Libyans delivered to Suriname small caliber weapons which fire a poison projectile. Last year, a shipment of highly accurate sniper rifles—all without serial numbers—were intercepted in Austria. The Libyan agent, an Austrian, confessed that he had been commissioned by the North Korean Embassy in Vienna to deliver these assassination weapons to the Libyan Peoples Bureau in the capital. He admitted to have already delivered, at the behest of the North Koreans, another shipment of silenced Beretta pistols to the Libyans in Vienna. We know that over 500 weapons were moved through the Libyan People's Bureau prior to the incident at St. James Square in London; more than 200 of these were silenced weapons which had been processed by this so-called diplomatic mission.

This base of terrorist technology has been made available to other terrorist organizations that have benefitted from Qadhafi's radical ideology. He has established a close affiliation with the Italian Red Brigades, the Red Army Faction and the infamous IRA. The human toll for this activity has been brutal. A few examples:

-- Sean Flynn, a graduate of one of Qadhafi's terror schools, returned to Belfast in 1978. In 1981, he placed a bomb beneath the car of Ulster Police Constable Kevin Casey. The bomb killed Officer Casey, his wife of 20 years, and their four children.



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-- Filipe Baguio, a Philippino radical, returned from Libya in 1982. Last month, he prepared the car bomb which destroyed a department store in Manila, killing 40 innocent women and children.

While these two terrorists are no longer able to practice their deadly skills, others like them, armed with weapons from Qadhafi's arsenal of terror, stalk the streets of the world. It was imperative that the links in this chain of violence be broken. We have acted to do so. We have also disrupted a pattern of aggression and intimidation that extended well beyond terror. Through more conventional means, Qadhafi had advanced the cause of anti-western activity throughout the third world.

His repeated threats to Egypt prompted him to lead his own troops to the border. Last year, Libyan ships mined the Red Sea and the Suez Canal in an effort to disrupt Egyptian commerce and western oil supplies. In this campaign of mine warfare, 18 ships of many nationalities were damaged. Qadhafi has supplied missiles to Iran for use against civilians in Iraqi cities and include week plane with Transcar terrorists for car bombings on the treets of Baghdad. Qadhafi's subversive reach was not bounded by the Middle East. His bureau in Malaysia, Libya's base in the Far East, provides training and money to the dissidents responsible for most of the

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violence in New Caledonia. Libya is also funding insurgents in the Philippines and provides training to drug-related guerrilla groups in Thailand. Libya has been implicated in a coup plot in Bangladesh and is involved with terrorists in Pakistan. Libya's ability to provide military assistance for destabilization or to other radical governments has posed a serious threat to stability. Since the mid-1970s, Qadhafi has provided well over \$1 billion in material and direct financial aid to more than 45 insurgent groups and radical governments. In providing this aid for rebellion, Libyan military assistance teams became active players in destabilization, cultivating pro-Libyan cliques, bribing government and military officials, and recruiting perspective guerrillas and terrorists for training in Libya. They also provided support on-scene for covertly passing arms and advice to radical insurgents. Thus, Libya's military assistance program became a key instrument for destabilization and subversion around the world.

Latin and Central America have also been targets for Qadhafi's aggression. He has put his most radical advisors in charge of Libyan activities for Central America and the Caribbean. In January 1985, he moved his regional center for subversion from Guyana to Suriname so that he could more easily threaten peaceful and democratic Venezuela. His representatives maintain contact with radicals from St. Lucia, Dominica, Martinique, and Guadaloupe.

Nicaragua has become the lynchpin of Qadhafi's efforts to undermine U.S. influence in Central America. The Libyans have helped the Sandinistas to initimidate their neighbors by providing the communists in Managua with over \$350 million in aid and significant quantities of military training and equipment including light attack aircraft, helicopters, anti-aircraft guns and missiles and military advisors. Tripoli has also sent small arms and provided training in Libya for Salvadoran and Colombian insurgents. In 1984, he promised \$8 million to the guerrillas attempting to prevent democracy in Guatemala. His goals are clear—Bo promote militant anti-American actions and establish a capability for subversion and terrorist operations throughout Latin America.

Until now, Qadhafi's behavior was becoming an increasingly dangerous as his capabilities to conduct terror and destabilization improved. The recent successes of Libya in the Sudan obviously encouraged him to do more. In providing over \$15 billion in weapons to Libya, Moscow actively and directly encouraged Qadhafi's behavior. Not only have the Soviets provided vast stockpiles of arms and equipment for Libya, but they have gained expanded access for its own military in the Mediterranean.

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This unrestrained behavior in terrorism, subversion, and outright conventional military intimidation was not our only concern. Since early in the 1970s, Qadhafi has had a well-financed secret effort underway to develop a nuclear weapons capability. Although Qadhafi reaffirmed Libya as a signatory to the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty when he came to power, he made two clandestine attempts to purchase nuclear weapons directly from the Chinese People's Republic. Thankfully, he was rebuffed on both occasions. Qadhafi has persisted through covert channels in his ambition to acquire nuclear weapons through attempts to buy or steal issile material or even fully assembled nuclear weapons. Despite U.S. and allied efforts to preclude Qadhafi from acquiring nuclear weapon design and fabrication technology, we learned in July of his plan to sign a Friendship Treaty with the USSR which would allow the Soviets to provide two nuclear he would use these to help make bounts reactors to Tripoli. The possibility that such weapons would be obtained and used in a terrorist attack against the U.S. or our friends was real. Such an event had to be prevented.

Before ordering our military forces to participate in this action against Qadhafi's brutal regime, I carefully considered all of the evidence. I came to the conclusion that the outlaw regime of Colonel Muammar Qadhafi posed an immediate threat to the safety and security of the United States of America and to that of our friends. I considered the type of man who would subsidize,

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Qadhafi's Libya was a terror base--and more. The threat posed by the ten Libyan terror training centers was amplified a hundred-fold through his active well-financed military apparat and unswerving dedication to subversion, repression and lawlessness. It was, therefore, imperative that no part of this infrastructure remain.

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There are those who will maintain that our actions were disproportionate to the threat. This is not so.

Others will claim that we did not try hard enough to resolve this situation short of the use of force. This is not true.

Just a few weeks ago on July 8 I cited Libya as a terrorist criminal state which supported terrorism. In fair warning, I said that we "wish not to see our citizens kidnapped or shot or blown out of the skies..." Our warnings were ignored.

Qadhafi continued his reckless and relentless pursuit of terror and intimidation. He counted on us to be passive. He counted wrong.

I also promised that there should be no place on Earth where terrorists can rest or train or practice their evel and deadly skills. I meant it.

Finally, I said that we would act together or "unilaterally if necessary, to ensure that terrorists have no sanctuary anywhere." As of today, they do not in Libya.

Thank you and God bless you.

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Qadhafi's record and his role in spreading terrorism around the globe has posed an increasing threat to stability and has placed Americans at risk in near every country of the world. From Colonel Qadhafi's eleven terrorist training camps have spewed forth over 10,000 foreign terrorists of all kinds. These centers of brutality and murder offered to broad curriculum of instruction explosive devices, hijacking, assassination and other terrorist techniques. Qadhafi virtually offered scholarships to those who wanted to learn how to murder the innocent and unsuspecting those who bravely raised their voices to question Qadhafi's despotic rule.

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The graduates of these terror schools have been indoctrinated with every kind of radical ideology and well-trained in subversive tactics and paramilitary operations. The so-called Seven April Camp near Tripoli has been the most accurate. As of yesterday, there were nearly 300 foreign nationals undergoing terror training there. Many sub-Saharan Africans--Chadians, Malians, and Nigerians, as well as radical Palestinians, Armenians, and Latin Americans have been coached at this camp in the tactics required to violently overthrow their governments. Reliable evidence shows that over 100 M-19 terrorists from Colombia have been trained here.

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In one of Qadhafi's other camps in southern Libya, Chadian rebels have been trained to destroy the government of President Habre in Chad. Many of the graduates of Qadhafi's death centers have returned home to establish their own "satellite" training facilities. His M-19 graduates have, for example, established a camp in southwestern Colombia to train Ecuadorian terrorists.

The bloody toll of Qadhafi's reign of terror has brought death and destruction around the globe. Since 1980, 34 Libyan exiles have been murdered or wounded by Qadhafi's own stable of "hitmen." One of these victims was a former Ambassador who helped Qadhafi seize power in 1969, but who quit his post in 1980 in disgust.

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Eighteen months ago, Qadhafi launched a sustained campaign of murder against his expatriate Libyan opponents living in Europe. Since then, seventeen attacks have occurred and numerous others have been thwarted by police and security services. Last November, the Egyptians arrested four Libyan-hired mercenaries attempting to assassinate a former Libyan Prime Minister. Qadhafi's list of victims included airline passengers, students, diplomats, and even children. In one case, two children of anti-Qadhafi Libyan exiles were poisoned by food containing thalium. When others got in the way, they were disposed of.

Just days before her wedding to another Bobby", 25 year-old British policewoman Yvonne Fletcher, was gunned down outside the Libyan Peoples Bureau in London as those inside carried out Qadhafi's orders to "...confront the stray dogs, eliminate them and those who cooperate with them and turn Britain into hell..."

For those who opposed Qadhafi, even the United States was not a safehaven. Here in the U.St. Qadhafi's agents blinded a 19 year old Libyan student in Colorado, in an attempt to silence him forever. In June this year, our FBI disrupted plans for attacks on Libyan dissidents living in four states of our nation.

Unbelievable as it may seem, agents of the Libyan government were stalking 26 Libyan exiles and were planning to plant as many as eight bombs here in this country in an effort to eliminate them.

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send his assassins to this country to act against Libyans alone. Four years ago, he sent assassination teams here with orders to kill American officials. Qadhafi publicly bragged about his capability for "exporting terrorism to the heart of America" including "physical liquidation, destruction, and arson inside America."

For Qadhafi, the United States and the principles we stand for represented the ultimate terror target. In his boundless hatred for democracy and liberty he hoped to dishearten us, to disorient the American people, to cause disunity, and to sow discord between us and our friends. He aimed to frighten away friendly third world nations working with us for peaceful settlement of regional conflicts and the establishment of stable democratic governments. He took his warfare against us worldwide. and Major Allmad Jallud, his second in command, on five separate occasions, publicly threatened suicide terrorist operations against the U.S. stating that "there is no alternative to confronting the enemy with violence." In May of this year, he sent a truck bomb ladened with explosives to blow up our Embassy in Cairo. He vocally praised those who bombed our Marine Headquarters and embassies in Beirut and had offered to assist in further operations of this kind. The assassins, bombers, and agents he has trained pose a long-term threat in that many are now in place around the world. Until now, more were being readied to carry terror around the globe.

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____sisted for near a decade. He actively supported Sudanese dissidents and provided military assistance to those opposed to President Nimeiri. A coup attempt against Nimeiri in 1983 was foiled with help of U.S. and Egyptian intelligence services.

early 1984, Libyan aircraft conducted bombing raids near the capital of Sudan. Until this very moment, the Government of Sudan has had to contend with Libyan agents fewerishly plotting to bring it under Qadhafi's banner. Since dissidents loyal to Libya's cause overthrew President Nimeiri in April, senior Libyan intelligence operatives have been active in a program of violence against moderate pro-western elements in Sudan.

Last Fall, Qadhafi launched an operation to assassinate Chadian President Habre, his entire cabinet, senior aides, foreign diplomats, and other government officials. Testimony of loyal Chadians who feigned collaboration with the Libyan assassins enabled the government to establish Qadhafi as the architect of this nefarious scheme. Analysis of the sophisticated explosive devices, timing mechanisms, and detonators constructed by the Libyans and their technical advisors demonstrated that the terror laboratories in Tripoli could create extraordinarily lethal devices, virtually undetectable to western security services.

This technical sophistication and links with other international terrorist organizations that made Libya a steadily increasing threat in the western world's campaign against terrorism.

Qadhafi's arsenals have produced thousands of terrorist weapons, as well as terrorist specific ordnance and explosive devices.

Police and security services around the world have collected a wide array of exotic and easily concealable silenced firearms for use by terrorists. In one case, the Libyan assassins were to

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pose as reporters using cameras rigged to fire small caliber bullets. In—1983, the Libyans delivered to Suriname small caliber weapons which fire a poison projectile. Last year, a shipment of highly accurate sniper rifles—all without serial numbers—were intercepted in Austria. The Libyan agent, an Austrian, confessed that he had been commissioned by the North Korean Embassy in Vienna to deliver these assassination weapons to the Libyan Peoples Bureau in the capital. He admitted to have already delivered, at the behest of the North Koreans, another shipment of silenced Beretta pistols to the Libyans in Vienna. We know that over 500 weapons were moved through the Libyan People's Bureau prior to the incident at St. James Square in London; more than 200 of these were silenced weapons which had been processed by this so-called diplomatic mission.

This base of terrorist technology has been made available to other terrorist organizations that have benefitted from Qadhafi's radical ideology. He has established a close affiliation with the Italian Red Brigades, the Red Army Faction and the infamous IRA. The human toll for this activity has been brutal. A few examples:

-- Sean Flynn, a graduate of one of Qadhafi's terror schools, returned to Belfast in 1978. In 1981, he placed a bomb beneath the car of Ulster Police Constable Kevin Casey. The bomb killed Officer Casey, his wife of 20 years, and their four children.

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-- Filipe Baguio, a Mhilippino radical, returned from Libya in 1982. Last month, he prepared the car bomb which destroyed a department store in Manila, killing 40 innocent women and children.

While these two terrorists are no longer able to practice their deadly skills, others like them, armed with weapons from Qadhafi's arsenal of terror, stalk the streets of the world. It was imperative that the links in this chain of violence be broken. We have acted to do so. We have also disrupted a pattern of aggression and intimidation that extended well beyond terror. Through more conventional means, Qadhafi had advanced the cause of anti-western activity throughout the third world.

His repeated threats to Egypt prompted him to lead his own troops to the border. Last year, Libyan ships mined the Red Sea and the Suez Canal in an effort to disrupt Egyptian commerce and western oil supplies. In this campaign of mine warfare, 18 ships of many nationalities were damaged. Qadhafi has supplied missiles to Iran for use against civilians in Iraqi cities and include were placed with Transcare terrorists Core bombings on the treets of Bogodal. Qadhafi's subversive reach was not bounded by the Middle East. His bureau in Malaysia, Libya's base in the Far East, provides training and money to the dissidents responsible for most of the



violence in New Caledonia. Libya is also funding insurgents in the Philippines and provides training to drug-related guerrilla groups in Thailand. Libya has been implicated in a coup plot in Bangladesh and is involved with terrorists in Pakistan. Libya's ability to provide military assistance for destabilization or to other radical governments has posed a serious threat to stability. Since the mid-1970s, Qadhafi has provided well over \$1 billion in material and direct financial aid to more than 45 insurgent groups and radical governments. In providing this aid for rebellion, Libyan military assistance teams became active players in destabilization, cultivating pro-Libyan cliques, bribing government and military officials, and recruiting perspective guerrillas and terrorists for training in Libya. They also provided support on-scene for covertly passing arms and advice to radical insurgents, Thus, Libya's military assistance program became a key instrument for destabilization and subversion around the world.

Latin and Central America have also been targets for Qadhafi's aggression. He has put his most radical advisors in charge of Libyan activities for Central America and the Caribbean. In January 1985, he moved his regional center for subversion from Guyana to Suriname so that he could more easily threaten peaceful and democratic Venezuela. His representatives maintain contact with radicals from St. Lucia, Dominica, Martinique, and Guadaloupe.

Nicaragua has become the lynchpin of Qadhafi's efforts to undermine U.S. influence in Central America. The Libyans have helped the Sandinistas to initimidate their neighbors by providing the communists in Managua with over \$350 million in aid and significant quantities of military training and equipment including light attack aircraft, helicopters, anti-aircraft guns and missiles and military advisors. Tripoli has also sent small arms and provided training in Libya for Salvadoran and Colombian insurgents. In 1984, he promised \$8 million to the guerrillas attempting to prevent democracy in Guatemala. His goals are clear—To promote militant anti-American actions and establish a capability for subversion and terrorist operations throughout Latin America.

Until now, Qadhafi's behavior was becoming an increasingly dangerous as his capabilities to conduct terror and destabilization improved. The recent successes of Libya in the Sudan obviously encouraged him to do more. In providing over \$15 billion in weapons to Libya, Moscow actively and directly encouraged Qadhafi's behavior. Not only have the Soviets provided vast stockpiles of arms and equipment for Libya, but they have gained expanded access for its own military in the Mediterranean.

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This unrestrained behavior in terrorism, subversion, and outright conventional military intimidation was not our only concern. Since early in the 1970s, Qadhafi has had a well-financed secret effort underway to develop a nuclear weapons capability. Although Qadhafi reaffirmed Libya as a signatory to the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty when he came to power, he made two clandestine attempts to purchase nuclear weapons directly from the Chinese People's Republic. Thankfully, he was rebuffed on both occasions. Qadhafi has persisted through covert channels in his ambition to acquire nuclear weapons through atte or steal Pissile material or even fully assembled nuclear weapons. Despite U.S. and allied efforts to preclude Qadhafi from acquiring nuclear weapon design and fabrication technology, we learned in July of his plan to sign a Friendship Treaty with the USSR which would allow the Soviets to provide two nuclear he would use these to help make bounts reactors to Tripoli. The possibility that such weapons would be obtained and used in a terrorist attack against the U.S. or our friends was real. Such an event had to be prevented.

Before ordering our military forces to participate in this action against Qadhafi's brutal regime, I carefully considered all of the evidence. I came to the conclusion that the outlaw regime of Colonel Muammar Qadhafi posed an immediate threat to the safety and security of the United States of America and to that of our friends. I considered the type of man who would subsidize,

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encourage, and manage an international terrorist network worldwide. I came to the conclusion that the international community was at great risk. Qadhafi's actions did not stop at terrorism alone--his record is a long one of unrestrained aggression by any and all means. The regime of Colonel Qadhafi posed a persistent challenge to international law and convention. He and his lieutenants refused to recognize or adhere to longestablished norms of behavior among the civilized nations. widely-known contempt for normally accepted international standards of behavior has influenced others in a corrosive and threatening way. We were facing a situation in which Qadhafi and those he directed and supported were forcing us of the western world to confront criminals at the time and place of their choosing. Qadhafi's reign of terror, intimidation and subversion meant that poor countries with limited resources would find it impossible to solve their people's real problems. Qadhafi nvincecl
ed that those who believe in liberty, democracy and peace would always live under the gun.

Qadhafi's Libya was a terror base--and more. The threat posed by the ten Libyan terror training centers was amplified a hundred-fold through his active well-financed military apparat and unswerving dedication to subversion, repression and lawlessness. It was, therefore, imperative that no part of this infrastructure remain.

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There are those who will maintain that our actions were disproportionate to the threat. This is not so.

Others will claim that we did not try hard enough to resolve this situation short of the use of force. This is not true.

Just a few weeks ago on July 8 I cited Libya as a terrorist criminal state which supported terrorism. In fair warning, I said that we "wish not to see our citizens kidnapped or shot or blown out of the skies..." Our warnings were ignored.

Qadhafi continued his reckless and relentless pursuit of terror and intimidation. He counted on us to be passive. He counted wrong.

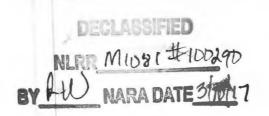
I also promised that there should be no place on Earth where terrorists can rest or train or practice their coef and deadly skills. I meant it.

Finally, I said that we would act together or "unilaterally if necessary, to ensure that terrorists have no sanctuary anywhere."

As of today, they do not in Libya.

Thank you and God bless you.

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PUBLIC STATEMENT FOR THE PRESIDENT AFTER THE OPERATION HAS BEGUN

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Early this morning, forces from six Caribbean democracies and the United States landed on the island of Grenada in the Eastern Caribbean.

I ordered American participation in this multinational effort, which was organized at the urgent, formal request of the five democracies in the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States. Forces from seven countries, including contingents from Antigua, Barbados, Dominica, Jamaica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the United States are now on Grenada.

We are taking this decisive action for three reasons: first, and of over-riding importance, to protect innocent lives, including up to 1,000 Americans whose personal safety is my paramount concern; second, to forestall further disorder; and third, to assist in the restoration of democracy to the island of Grenada where a brutal group of leftist thugs violently seized power, killing the Prime Minister, three cabinet members, two labor leaders and other civilians, including children.

Let there be no misunderstanding: this collective action has been forced on us by events that have no precedent in the Eastern Caribbean, and no place in any civilized society. American lives are at stake. What appears to have begun the evening of October 12, as a struggle for power among contending factions of a dictatorship, degenerated into widescale murder. In the midst of this extraordinarly dangerous situation, the only visible act of authority has been imposition of a shoot-on-sight curfew. We have witnessed a complete disintegration of any organized authority.

The Caribbean democracies and the United States have - since 1980 - been concerned by Grenada's tightening links to Cuba and the Soviet Union. The tragic events of the last ten days, appear to have had no direct relationship to either the Soviets or the Cubans. We do know, however, that Grenada's self-proclaimed military leaders are hard-line Communists with close and long-held ties to Moscow and Havana. These new rulers have not succeeded in establishing peace or stability.

Last weekend, Grenada's neighbors in the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States were still unable to receive reliable information or assurances. They decided they had to take collective action to restore constitutional and democratic order in Grenada.

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Caribbean neighbors and friendly governments. They pointed out that the stakes include not only the physical safety of the people in Grenada, both foreigners and citizens of that country, but the peace and security of the entire Eastern Caribbean region.

We had been following the situation as closely as possible. Between 800 to 1000 Americans, including many medical students and senior citizens, make up the largest single group of foreign residents in Grenada. From the start of these latest troubles, we have consciously sought to calm fears. We were determined not to make an already bad situation worse, and increase the risks our citizens faced.

But when I received reports that a large number of our citizens were seeking to escape the island, thereby exposing themselves to great danger, and after receiving a formal request for help from neighboring states, I concluded the United States had no choice but to act strongly and decisively. I thus agreed to the urgent requests Grenada's neighbors to participate in the joint effort now underway.

Let me repeat, United States' objectives are clear: to protect U.S. citizens, to facilitate the evacuation of those who want to leave, and to help in the restoration of democratic institutions in Grenada.

I understand that several Caribbean states have already asked that the Organization of American States consider the situation in Grenada. Our diplomacy will work in close cooperation with the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States and the other countries participating in this multilateral effort.

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