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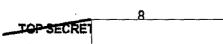
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	<u>Militant Ties To Bin Ladin</u>		·
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		wrest control of Kashmir from India, which fits into	·
	longstanding ties to Usama Bin Ladin.	the global Islamic jihad espoused by Bin Ladin.	
	close association with the Taliban in neighboring	·	
· .	Afghanistan set the stage for Bin Ladin to link up	Training. When the Taliban came to power in Afghanistan in 1996, it took control of militant	
		training camps in the country and provided increased	•
		access	
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	Taliban came to power and Bin Ladin moved to Afghanistan	Usama Bin Ladin to direct the activities at many of the facilities, militants trained	
•	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	at Bin Ladin-run camps in Afghanistan	
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		• Instruction at the camps includes basic training in the handling of light weapons and grenades, more	
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