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## INDIA PLANS WAR WITHIN TWO WEEKS



*June 6, 2002* The London Daily Telegraph reports: "India's military is seeking final authorization to invade the Pakistani side of divided Kashmir in the middle of this month to destroy the camps of Islamic militants.

The planned campaign would be similar to the American attack in Afghanistan, in which air strikes would be followed by ground assaults by special forces transported by helicopter, military sources said yesterday.

Smart bombs and other advanced ordnance are reported to have been loaded on to French-made Mirage 2000H and Russian-built MiG-27 aircraft at bases in northern and western India.

As Jack Straw, the Foreign Secretary, strengthened his warning to Britons to leave the region, military planners in Delhi expressed confidence that a war would not boil over into a nuclear exchange.

A senior Indian official accused Britain, America and other western countries of 'adding their weight to Pakistan's nuclear blackmail' by telling their citizens to leave. 'This is jumping the gun,' he said. 'Our intention is not to have an all-out war. It would be a limited action.'

Most senior Indian officers expect that the conflict would last about a week before pressure from America and other powers forced a cease fire..."

## U.S. SAYS LIBYA, SYRIA PURSUE NUKE PROGRAMS

*June 5, 2002* The Middle East Newsline reports: "The United States asserts that Libya and Syria aim to obtain nuclear weapons.

The latest assertion came from U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz. Wolfowitz was speaking on a talk show by a New York radio station. 'We see countries like Libya and Syria also pursuing nuclear and chemical and biological weapons,' Wolfowitz said.

The deputy defense secretary's assertion was echoed by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld who also expressed concern over Libyan and Syrian nuclear programs. Rumsfeld said Libya and Syria are involved in what he termed an intensive effort to weaponize their missile arsenals with biological and chemical weapons..."



Iran

## IRAN'S SUPREME LEADER CALLS FOR NATIONAL UNITY AGAINST US

*June 5, 2002* The Age.com reports: "Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, called today for his people to close ranks against the United States, which he accused of aiming to divide the nation. 'The only way to oppose and react to such aggression and coarseness is to preserve our national unity,' Khamenei said in an address. The Americans 'are determined to divide us ... That's why all the political parties must stand together under the banner of the imam,' he said.

The political scene in Iran pits a reformist camp that supports President Mohammad Khatami, a moderate cleric, against religious conservatives who are opposed to any dialogue with the United

States. The conservative-dominated judiciary has outlawed even talk of such dialogue in the Iranian press..."

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### **AIR FORCE FEARS KAMIKAZE-STYLE JET ATTACKS**

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*June 3, 2002 The Jerusalem Post* reports: "The Air Force, which is responsible for protecting Israel from airborne terror attacks, is expecting Palestinian terrorists to attempt to infiltrate from the Gaza Strip on paragliders and motorized ultra-lights.

It is also suspected that the Palestinians were interested in using remote controlled model planes to stage attacks, but that proved to be limited in scope and not attractive since the damage it could cause was small.

The Air Force also believes that there may be an attempt by pilots in foreign militaries to stage a 'kamikaze-like' attack using a warplane. This would be on an individual basis and possibly set off in solidarity with the Palestinians. The likelihood of this is growing as Palestinians are become more and more distressed.

The Air Force has also altered its assessment regarding the threat of anti-aircraft missiles in the hands of the Palestinians. It now believes that they do not have any Strella rockets in the West Bank as originally thought. But they are believed to have squirreled away some in the Gaza Strip. These would be a sort of 'doomsday weapon' of the PA..."

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### **U.S. ATTACKED AS EU RATIFIES KYOTO**

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*June 2, 2002 CNN.com* reports: "All 15 European Union nations have formally ratified the Kyoto protocol against global warming -- and criticized Washington for failing to do its part in protecting the environment.

Representatives of all 15 EU nations and the European Commission handed U.N. Chief Legal Counsel Hans Corell papers signifying their national legislatures had approved the pact, at a ceremony at U.N. headquarters in New York. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan hailed the move as 'good news for the entire world.'

Margot Wallstrom, European commissioner for the environment, called the ceremony 'an historic moment for global efforts to combat climate change.' But she added: 'The United States is the only nation to have spoken out against and rejected the global framework for addressing climate change.

'The European Union urges the United States to reconsider its position. All countries have to act, but the industrialized world has to take the lead,' she said.

The United States, the world's largest polluter, shunned the treaty shortly after President George W. Bush took office last year, arguing it would harm the U.S. economy.

The pact would have required the United States, which accounts for about a third of the industrialized world's greenhouse gas emissions, to trim emissions by 7 percent from 1990 levels, Reuters news agency reported. But the Bush administration has instead announced policy changes likely to push them up by 30 percent by 2010, according to the European Commission..."