

State Department might list Pakistani group as terrorists

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WASHINGTON — The State Department said Tuesday it might impose sanctions on a Pakistani-based group that is fighting for an end to Indian rule in Kashmir.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said the administration is taking a "very close look" at the Jaish-e-Mohammed group, with a view toward placing it on the list of foreign terrorist organizations.

The group first claimed responsibility for an attack a week ago in Kashmir that killed at least 38 people.

Membership on the list means it is illegal for Americans to provide material support and U.S. financial institutions must block their assets.

Secretary of State Colin Powell plans to visit India and Pakistan over the next few days. His goal will aim to strengthen the U.S. coalition against terrorism.

Powell's visit will be a show of support for Pakistan's beleaguered president, Gen. Pervez Musharraf, whose support for the United States is not widely endorsed by the Pakistani people.

On Monday, mobs stormed Quetta, a city near the Afghan border, lobbing firebombs while chanting glory to Osama bin Laden and hatred for America.

Pakistan's ambassador to the United States, Maleeha Lodhi, said Tuesday, "It's a difficult situation, but we think it's manageable." She said her government

will stick to its support for the war against terrorism.

"We know there is a price to be paid for standing up for the right thing, and we are paying that price every day," she said in an interview in the Capitol. "But we are encouraged that the majority of people in Pakistan support the position that our government has taken," and the rioters are just "a very vocal minority," primarily people from religious schools and religious parties.

Powell's agenda is broader than simply shoring up Musharraf, according to a senior U.S. official. He seeks more information-sharing on terrorism with both Pakistan and India and greater financial cooperation in choking off support for the al-Qaida network headed by bin Laden in Afghanistan.

Cooperation on the military level also needs to be upgraded, said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Beyond stops in India and Pakistan, Powell's travel plans have not been pinned down, including the day he will depart the United States.

In its war on terrorism, the Bush administration is struggling to maintain the backing of Arab and other Muslim states even as it warns that it may take its war against terrorism beyond Afghanistan.

The airdrop of relief packages to the Afghan people is part of the effort. So are repeated assertions by President Bush and other senior U.S. officials that the fight is

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with terrorists, not Islam.

"The United States of America is a friend to the Afghan people, and we are the friends of almost a billion worldwide who practice the Islamic faith," Bush said Sunday in announcing that the joint U.S.-British strike on Afghanistan had begun.

A warning the fight may go beyond Afghanistan was contained in a letter to the United Nations.

"We may find that our self-defense requires further actions with respect to other organizations and other states," John Negroponte, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, said Monday.

By all accounts, the al-Qaida network has cells in several nations, most of them predominantly Muslim. Bush has told these governments they must choose between supporting the fight against terrorism and U.S. hostility.

To help Musharraf, the administration and Congress have worked together to lift almost all sanctions against Pakistan. A move to end the remaining ones is near completion on Capitol Hill.

Despite the concerted U.S. effort, Shibley Telhami, a University of Maryland professor, said: "There are people in the Arab

and Muslim world who simply will not be satisfied by what the United States will do. There is a lot of sentiment built up over the years. Clearly, the United States is not trusted."

There are people throughout the region who are so frightened by the prospect of having groups linked to bin Laden dominate the Middle East that they are looking for an opportunity and a reason to stand up to their extremists, he said. "I think the U.S. can help in that way."

Extremists pose an even greater threat to Arab regimes than they do to the United States, said Robert Satloff, executive director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

"Anything the United States can do to address that threat can only bolster regional stability," Satloff said.

The logical next step of the campaign would be to go after Hezbollah, the Palestinian group cited again last week by the State Department as a terrorist organization, he said.

Other than al-Qaida, Hezbollah has killed more Americans than any other group, he said.

Attacks

Blair says U.S., Britain closer to achieving goals

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Stephanie Bunker said: "People need to distinguish between combatants and those innocent civilians who do not bear arms."

Bush was unapologetic. "There is one way to shorten the campaign in Afghanistan, and that is for Osama bin Laden and his leadership to be turned over so he can be brought to justice," he said.

Rumsfeld declined to identify the targets of Tuesday's assaults, but said Taliban defenses were in shambles. Bush called the mission a success so far.

"We believe we are now able to carry out strikes more or less around the clock as we wish," Rumsfeld said at the Pentagon.

Rumsfeld and Joint Chiefs Chairman Richard Myers opened their news conference with before-and-after pictures of Taliban targets. Each grainy aerial shot of a terrorist camp or military site was followed by a second — the target now cratered or smoke-streaked.

The home of Taliban supreme leader Mullah Mohammed Omar, about nine miles outside Kandahar, was struck for the third time, Taliban sources said.

There was a dwindling number of targets left to strike in the Taliban's paltry military or bin Laden's network, a fact that increased speculation about Bush's next move. Rumsfeld said Bush hasn't ruled out the use of ground forces; Bush wouldn't say whether he was considering them.

U.S. officials said the administration will aid the various anti-Taliban militias, broadly suggesting opposition forces could get

American air cover. Special forces, already at work in Afghanistan, could be used to support opposition forces, the officials said.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair, who lent his forces in Sunday's initial raids, said, "We are obviously closer to achieving our objectives."

On the death of the U.N.-affiliated workers, Rumsfeld said America regretted the loss of lives, but he did not apologize.

"If there were an easy way to root terrorist networks out of countries that harbor them, it would be a blessing, but there is not," he said.

"It's just one of those things that happens" in war, said Sen. John Warner of Virginia, top Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The Taliban claim dozens of civilians have been killed in U.S.-led raids. Bush ordered the strikes after repeated warnings to turn over terrorists including bin Laden, suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks.

In other action: —Bush named two new staff members to his gathering anti-terrorism team, former Gen. Wayne A. Downing as deputy national security adviser on terrorism, and Richard Clarke as chief of cyberspace security.

—Bush formally notified Congress of the military action Tuesday and said he couldn't predict "the scope and duration of the deployment." There are 30,000 U.S. troops in the region.

—The government released new rules to quickly strengthen cockpit doors.

—Rep. Jim McDermott, Democrat from Washington, broke from the bipartisan praise of Operation Enduring Freedom, saying claims of success so far "smack of a certain arrogance."

BSU

Group to use site for new building

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occupancy in 2003.

Poster likes the idea of being in the middle of a new atmosphere at USC.

"USC is moving west, and BSU is too. We are still connected to the old part of the campus, but are now in the pathway to the new."

The new property will benefit both BSU and other USC students.

"An auditorium that will seat close to 250 persons will be included in the new BSU building. The building will also be central

to residences and academic departments, making it more visual to students," Poster said.

Many BSU members are excited about the relocation.

Carla Wynn, a second-year student and BSU member of one year, said, "I think the new building is the prime location. It's also visible to students on campus."

Other BSU members also think

students would be more willing to come to BSU events because of the new location.

"We're very excited about the location of our building. Its very accessible to USC students," said Diana McCrary, a third-year student and BSU president.

With a new building on the way, BSU wants to grow larger. "BSU currently has 19 officers who

cover Bible study, admissions, fellowship and more.

Just this year alone, BSU [was] able to reach about 500 students," Poster said.

Besides moving into a new building, BSU is also in the process of changing names. "Baptist Student Union (BSU) will officially be changed to Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) in January

of 2002," said Chad Stillwell, BSU's campus minister intern.

BSU is a student organization at USC led by students who want to minister to the campus and community.

BSU meets in Rutledge Chapel on the Horseshoe on Tuesday nights at 7:37 p.m.

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