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Bush to ask for \$87 billion in terror war

BY DEB RIECHMANN

WASHINGTON - President Bush said Sunday night he will ask Congress for \$87 billion to fight terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan, appealing for troops and money from other countries, even those who opposed the U.S.led war.

Bush, in a 15-minute nationally televised speech from the Cabinet Room, said the United States would not intimidated into retreat by violence.

"The terrorists have cited the that we do not meet him again on examples of Beirut and Somalia, claiming that if you inflict harm on Americans we will run from a challenge," Bush said. "In this, they are mistaken.'

Bush spoke just four days before the anniversary of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001. Seeking support for his policy, he said, "The surest way to avoid attacks on our own people is to engage the enemy where he lives and

"We are fighting that enemy in Iraq and Afghanistan today, so

our own streets, in our own cities."

Bush addressed the nation from the Cabinet Room in his first major speech on Iraq since May 1 when he stood on the deck of the aircraft carrier Abraham Lincoln and declared an end to major combat operations.

Since then, more Americans have died in Iraq than were killed during the war. The overall death count is 287 - 149 since

The violence — including four

major bombing attacks in a month - have raised alarms about Bush's handling of Iraq. Republicans and Democrats alike have urged Bush to change course and seek more troops and money

Questions also have been fueled by the administration's failure to find any of Saddam Hussein's alleged illegal weapons or Saddam

from other countries.

Bush said Iraq and the Middle East are critical to winning the global war on terror. Bush's plan for Mideast plan appeared to be unraveling after Saturday's resignation of Mahmoud Abbas, the U.S.-backed Palestinian prime

Bush described Iraq as the central front in the war against terror and said that "enemies of freedom are making a desperate stand there, and there they must be de-

quire sacrifice," he said. "Yet we will do what is necessary, we will spend what is necessary, to achieve this essential victory in the war on terror, to promote free-

"This will take time and re-

dom and to make our own nation more secure.'

Bush said the current number of U.S. troops in Iraq - 130,000 is sufficient but that more foreign troops are needed. He said two multinational divisions, led by Britain and Poland, are serving alongside the United States, and that American commanders have requested a third multinational

Some countries have asked for an explicit U.N. peacekeeping

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Power outage strikes campus

BY JON TURNER

Students' pregame preparations were interrupted Saturday as hair dryers sputtered and elevators cut off when the main power went out on the south part of

Power went out about 11 a.m. Saturday and wasn't restored until 11:30 a.m. Sunday.

Jim Demarest of USC Facility Services said he was proud of the way university staff responded to the problem - a short on a primary feed 823-volt line.

"Our staff responded very quickly," he said, "and we actually anticipated that we'd have a more difficult time pulling out the cable since, with that kind of heat, cables can sometimes weld themselves together. And this is about a 900-foot run that we had to pull out, so we had to obviously use some heavy pulling equipment to

Demarest said the line was about 30 years old.

"We believe that age was part of the problem," he said. "We probably had cracks in the insulation jacket, and I'm suspecting that maybe the moisture that we've had played a part in it.

When you get moisture on an 823volt line, you get kind of a small Demarest said another outage

was a possibility, but the univer-

sity was planning for such an "The residence halls have emergency generators that provide electricity for emergency lighting, and we're putting together a plan for the vice president to address all those problems on

campus," he said. Mallory Mowery, a first-year business student, was still in bed when her room in Bates residence hall lost power.

"It was right before the game," she said. "Everyone was trying to get ready. All I knew was that my air conditioner was off."

Mowery said Bates residents had been without hot water for a full day

"Luckily there were backup lights in the bathroom, so we didn't have to pee in the dark," she

One of Mowery's friends had to climb up and down the (Bates') nine stories of stairs before the

Sonia Karamchandani, a second-year chemistry student, was also inconvenienced by the pow-

"Most of the food in the refrigerator went bad," she said, "and we had it loaded, so all the dairy products and the meat went bad.

Karamchandani, who also lost her air conditioning in the outage, said she considered the cool

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Exchange students experience football, tailgating

BY JON SERPAS THE GAMEGOCK

For USC students, tailgating and Gamecock football go hand in hand on autumn Saturdays. But for some international students, the fairgrounds off George Rogers Boulevard on game day can look as unfamiliar as the surface of the moon.

Three international students, Jimmy Coverdale, Mike Picard and Christine Reid, all third-year American studies students from England, experienced American college football for the first time Saturday when the Gamecocks took on Virginia.

Before the game, Coverdale, Picard and Reid went tailgating - a new concept to them.

Picard said tailgating is simply unheard of in Europe.

"Back home, we usually go to the pub for a pint and stop by a fish-and-chips shop before the game," he said.

Nonetheless, they all said they now enjoy tailgating as much as the Americans do.

Another new experience for these students was halftime entertainment.

"We don't have any halftime in England," Picard said. "They put lots of effort into it here," he

Reid said she thought the game was boring, except for halftime, which she called "the best part."

And what was the best part of halftime, according to Reid?

"Cocky," she said enthusias-

tically.

Aside from tailgating and the halftime show, Reid said she was most impressed with the male cheerleaders.

"We don't really have cheerleading in England, certainly

not any male ones," she said. Picard said he was impressed with the crowd participation. "They really get loud," he said. "At home you have a section of drunk guys always yelling, but everyone else just relaxes and

watches the game.' While the college football scene can get wild - with thousands of excited college students tearing down goalposts and rioting in the streets after big games - Coverdale said the

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PHOTO BY TRISHA SHADWELL/THE GAMECOCK

The International Masters of Business Administration Student Association tallgates before Saturday's game.

Professors say nanotechnology could revolutionize science, life

BY JESSICA FOSTER THE GAMECOCK

Although nanoscience applications have already made possible the production of stain-resistant pants, longer-lasting tennis balls and stronger and lighter car bumpers, USC professor Robert Best said the field has only begun to scratch the

Best is a professor in the USC School of Medicine and

member of USC's Nanoscale Interdisciplinary Research Team. He said by creating but complicated molecules, nanoscience could lead to the creation of small agents that could be sent into the blood stream to correct defects or that could penetrate cancer cells and incinerate tumors. He said nanoscience could possibly even provide a solution to the world's energy

For Best and the rest of the 18faculty member research team, the study of nanoscience at USC is about to get much more exciting with the help of a \$1.3 million grant from the National Science Foundation to study the societal and ethical implications of nanoscience, a field that seeks to manipulate matter on a molecular scale.

The grant comes only two

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