

[Before Bin Ladin issued his February 1998 anti-American *fatwa*, [_____
_____]]. Following the *fatwa*, the Director of
NSA appealed to [_____] partners, few of which were focused on counterterrorism at the
time, for counterterrorism assistance. [_____

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[Following the August 1998 East Africa Embassy bombings, NSA instituted a much higher
operations tempo, which never really subsided. After the bombings, at the request of FBI's New
York Field Office, NSA provided all reports that appeared related to the attacks. This information
was useful to the FBI].

[In the fall of 1998, NSA lost the ability to listen to Bin Ladin on his satellite phone. This
loss was probably the result of, among other things, a media leak. [_____

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In February 1999, the Department of State demarched the Taliban, [_____

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