

	Intelligence Community assessment of UBL... "UBL is actively planning against U.S. targets and already may have positioned operatives for at least one operation... Multiple reports indicate UBL is keenly interested in striking the U.S. on its own soil. According to [_____] [_____] , Al Qaeda is recruiting operatives for attacks in the U.S. but has not yet identified potential targets." 17 Dec. Operation Desert Fox. Strikes against Iraq. Late Dec. "It is a religious duty to acquire weapons of mass destruction to defend Muslims," according to a UBL interview in Christmas 1998. UBL has been seeking CBRN materials, expertise and other resources since the early 1990s.		4 Dec. DCI memo. "We are at war... I want no resources or people spared in this effort, either inside CIA or the Community." [_____] Dec. [_____] had successfully evaded checkpoints in a dry run at a NY airport. [_____] [_____] .	The report also mentions UBL affiliates in major U. S. cities]. Fall 1998. Several reports note that UBL is considering a new attack, using biological toxins in food, water, or ventilation systems of U.S. embassies. [_____] [_____] [_____] . [_____] Dec. [_____] reports member of UBL was planning operations against U.S. targets. Plans to hijack U.S. aircraft proceeding well. Two individuals [_____] [_____] had successfully evaded checkpoints in a dry run at a NY airport. [_____] [_____] .
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