

**Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI**

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**From:** Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 7:07 AM  
**To:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
**Subject:** RE: OBL - Guidance  
**Signed By:** WILSON.DOUGLAS.B.1239633710

Thanks. Will you be at the Iraq SVTC? If so, I'll connect with you there.

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**From:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 7:01 AM  
**To:** Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA  
**Subject:** RE: OBL - Guidance

Happy to, Doug. I did the WH press backgrounder last night with Donilon, Brennan, Panetta and Morell. (Bryan was there.) Can show you the script and provide context on what we're saying and not saying. MV

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 6:32 AM  
**To:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
**Subject:** OBL - Guidance

Mike, if you have a sec this morning, it would be worth us getting your guidance on parameters for dealing with press today. If at all possible, I'd like to be pro-active in setting parameters and knowing where to send press; otherwise, I fear we risk dozens of unsourced "color commentary" comments.

Thoughts?

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**From:** Morrell, Geoff Mr OSD PA  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 01, 2011 9:28 PM  
**To:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
**Subject:** Just got a call from Chris Islam of CBS...

...He's hearing we may have gotten OBL in a hit today.

Geoff Morrell  
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense  
Pentagon Press Secretary  
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571-309-4978 (C)

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 01, 2011 11:22 PM  
**To:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Thanks

Mike,

I, like millions of other Americans, just saw the news confirming **Bin Laden's** having been killed. I do not and can not know, of course, how much you had to do with achieving this, but I will infer that it is a great deal. Thus I thank you as an American citizen and especially as a former military officer. As a good WASP, I don't usually get emotional, but this is a moment that brings a tear to the eye, especially remembering all the young people who got killed along the way.

Many heartfelt thanks,

sincerely,

(b)(6)

**Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI**

**From:** (b)(3):50 USC § 403(g)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 1:45 PM  
**To:** Mehal, Robert S CDR OSD PA  
**Cc:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA; Morrell, Geoff Mr OSD PA; Whitman, Bryan SES OSD PA; Lapan, David COL OSD PA; James, Darryn C CAPT OSD PA; Woog, Carl R Mr OSD PA; (b)(3):50 USC § 403(g)  
**Subject:** RE: Follow up questions

I defer to DOD on this one. My recommendation is that if we describe the bird, I wouldn't get too detailed.

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**From:** Mehal, Robert S CDR OSD PA [<mailto:Robert.Mehal@osd.mil>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 1:28 PM  
**To:** (b)(3):50 USC §  
**Cc:** Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA; Morrell, Geoff Mr OSD PA; Whitman, Bryan SES OSD PA; Lapan, David COL OSD PA; James, Darryn C CAPT OSD PA; Woog, Carl R Mr OSD PA; (b)(3):50 USC §  
**Subject:** RE: Follow up questions

(b)(3):50 USC § 403(g) There was some discussion about indicating what type of bird (in general) was left behind? What do you think? Resp, Bob

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**From:** Butler, Amy C [<mailto:AmyButler@aviationweek.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 1:10 PM  
**To:** Mehal, Robert S CDR OSD PA  
**Subject:** follow up from Osama kill briefing

Hi Sir -

Thanks for taking this.

What helicopters were used in the operation? What helicopter went down (pics on ABC.com look like a -60 tail boom)? If you are declining to say what was used, why are you declining?

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**From:** (b)(3):50 USC § 403(g) Section 6  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 1:18 PM  
**To:** Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA; Morrell, Geoff Mr OSD PA; Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; Mehal, Robert S CDR OSD PA; Whitman, Bryan SES OSD PA; Lapan, David COL OSD PA; James, Darryn C CAPT OSD PA; Flournoy, Michèle A HON OSD POLICY; Woog, Carl R Mr OSD PA; (b)(3):50 USC § 403(g) Section 6  
**Subject:** RE: Follow up questions

My vote -- and I realize that some of this is above my pay grade -- is to stay away from 1, 2, and 4 at least for today, and to stick with "he resisted during a firefight" or something along those lines on 3. My view is that we should try as much as we can (I know it's difficult given the vast array of questions coming our way) to focus today on how serious a blow this is to al-Qaeda, the President's decisive role, and the overall case for what led the USG to this compound.

(b)(3):50 USC § 403(g) Sect

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**From:** Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA [<mailto:Douglas.Wilson@osd.mil>]

Sent: Monday, May 02, 2011 1:06 PM

To: Morrell, Geoff Mr OSD PA; Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; Mehal, Robert S CDR OSD PA; (b)(3):50 Whitman, Bryan SES OSD PA; Lapan, David COL OSD PA; James, Darryn C CAPT OSD PA; Flournoy, Michèle A HON OSD POLICY; Woog, Carl R Mr OSD PA; (b)(3):50 Rangel, Robert CIV SD  
Subject: RE: Follow up questions

Up to CIA

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From: Morrell, Geoff Mr OSD PA

Sent: Monday, May 02, 2011 1:05 PM

To: Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; Mehal, Robert S CDR OSD PA; Wilson, Douglas HON OSD PA;

(b)(3):50 USC § 403(g) Whitman, Bryan SES OSD PA; Lapan, David COL OSD PA; James, Darryn C CAPT OSD PA; Flournoy, Michèle A HON OSD POLICY; Woog, Carl R Mr OSD PA; (b)(3):50 USC § ; Rangel, Robert CIV SD

Subject: Follow up questions

As I circled back with the press I got several additional queries.

Please let me know if we want to answer any of these:

Was there a code name for this operation? If so, do we care to disclose it?

Who used the woman as a human shield? OBL or his son?

Was OBL armed? You said he "resisted."

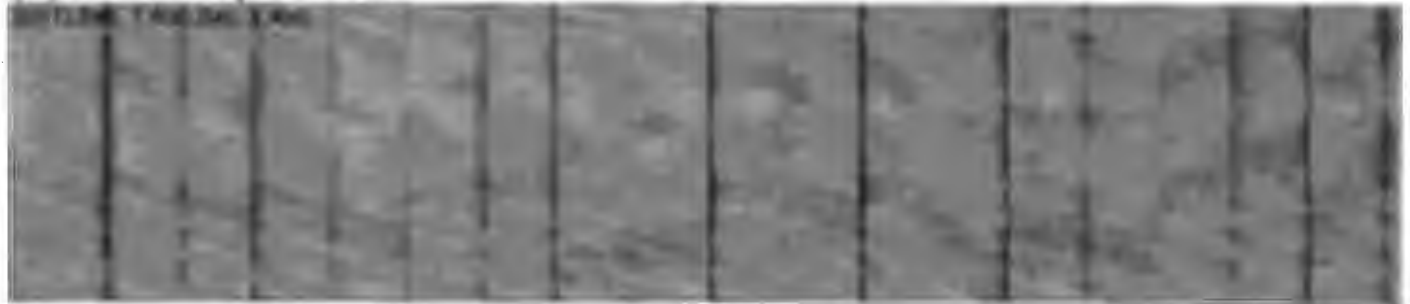
How about the number and kind of helos? TV nets are trying to build graphics to illustrate the raid and want to show the appropriate number and kind of helos used.

**Vickers, Michael, G., HON OSD OUSDI**

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Monday, May 02, 2011 9:36 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6); Vickers, Michael, G., HON OSD OUSDI  
**Subject:** UBL

**(U) To all DIA personnel:**



(U) The result reminds us that good intelligence drives successful operations — a principle that must continue to guide all our future efforts. Though this event closes one significant chapter, the broader conflict and our important mission continue.

(U) We cannot reflect upon this operation without also remembering our DIA colleagues, and all others, killed on September 11, 2001, as well as those who have died in service to our nation since that tragic day. Our pride today is tempered by their loss to us and their families.

(U) I thank you for of your selfless service and sacrifices — past, present, and future — in defense of the nation.

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From: ODRP, J3 CHOPS [ODRP.J3CHOPS@ibab.afcent.af.smil.mil]  
 Sent: Monday, May 02, 2011 4:27 PM  
 To: undisclosed-recipients  
 Cc: Ashley, Robert P JR BG MIL USA USCENTCOM CCJ2-J2; [REDACTED] COL JCS DOM PACC; Campbell, John F MG USA CJTF101 CG; Chambers, Jim E MG MIL USA USCENTCOM CCJ4-A; Cleveland, Charles T MG USCENTCOM SOCCENT/SOCCG; Clingan, Bruce RADM N8, N8F; Crowder, Doug VADM CNO, N3N5; Davis, Gordon B BG USA IJC CJ5 FUPLANS; Donahue, Brian J BG MIL USA USCENTCOM CCJ6-A; Fogarty, Stephen G US BG USA ISAF DCOS Intel; Franken, Michael T RDML MIL USN USCENTCOM CCJ5-AD; Fridovich, David P LTG USSOCOM HQ; Garza, David C MG USMC IJC DCOS JOPS; Harley, Jeffrey A RDML MIL USN USCENTCOM CCJ5-AD; Hesterman, John MajGen USAF AFCENT AUAB/DCFACC; Hostage, Mike LtGen USAF AFCENT CC; Hurst, Harry [SES]; Jones, James J Brig Gen MIL USAF USCENTCOM CCJ3-A; Kearney, Francis H LTG USSOCOM HQ; Laster, James B MG USMC IJC; Linnington, Michael S MG MIL USA USFOR-A IJC; Waldhauser LtGen Thomas D; McHale, Timothy P DCG-S MIL USA USFOR-A MG; McKenzie, Kenneth F JR MajGen MIL USMC USCENTCOM CCJ5-A; McRaven, William H VADM; Miller, Austin S US BG USA CFSOCC-A CG; Olson, Eric T. ADM; Petraeus, David H GEN US ARMY COMISAF; Phipps, Warren BG USA CJTF101 DCGS; Pittman, Hal ISAF HQ DCOSCOMM DCOS COMMUNICATION OF-6 IS; Roberson, Darryl L Brig Gen USAF 455th AEW Commander; Rodriguez, David M LTG MIL USA COMIJC; Sisson, Barbara A DV5 CIV USAF USCENTCOM CCJ8-A; Smith, Gregory J RADM MIL USN USCENTCOM CCCC-AFG; Smith, Gregory J RADM USN ISAF DCOS COMM; [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Stauffer, John D Brig Gen USAF DCOS Intel; Sweeney, Kevin M RDML (S) MIL USN USCENTCOM CCCC-CCCC; Townsend, Stephen J BG USA CJTF101 DCG-O; Traaen, Thomas C RDML MIL USN USCENTCOM CDDOC; Vangelj, Peter M MG MIL USA ASE-A; Webster, William G LTG MIL USA 3A-USARCENT

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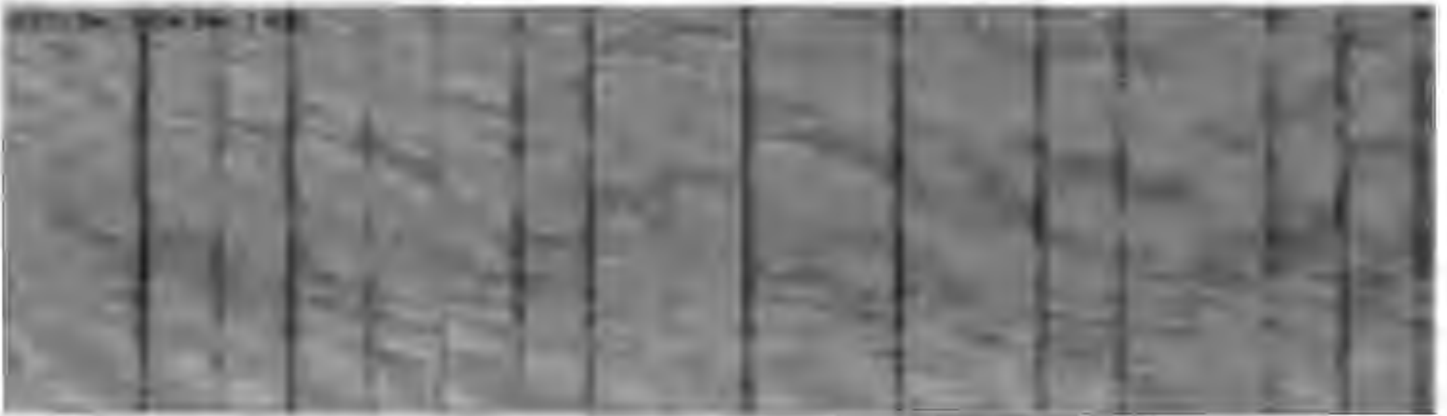
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Attached are the daily ODRP SITREP and, the SOC(FWD)-PAK SITREP for 2 May 2011.

The Commander's Comments are inserted below as an executive summary to the attached SITREP document.



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Mike

Michael A. LeFever

Vice Admiral, USN

Commander, Office of Defense Representative to Pakistan (ODRP) COMMERCIAL STATE: (b)(6)

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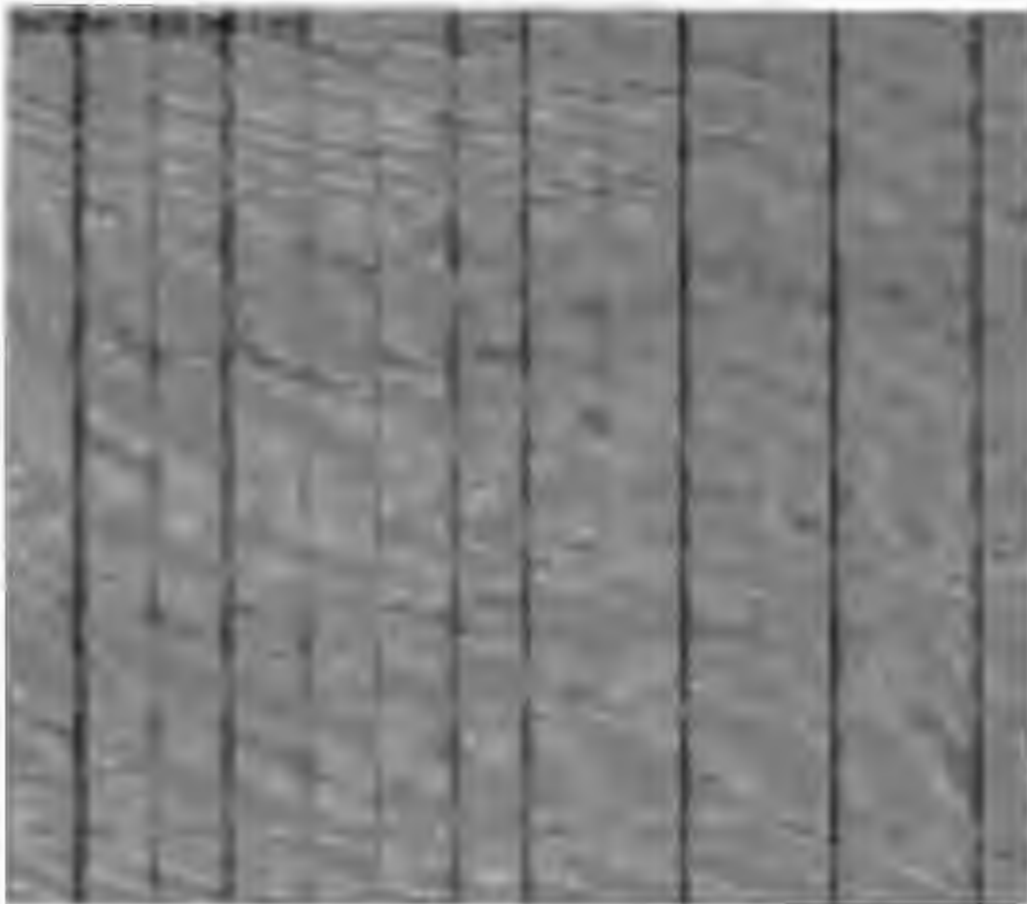
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From mcravenb@~~(b)(6)~~  
To Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
Cc ~~(b)(6)~~  
Subject RE: Burial ~~(S//NF)~~

Date Monday, May 02, 2011 1:44:07 PM

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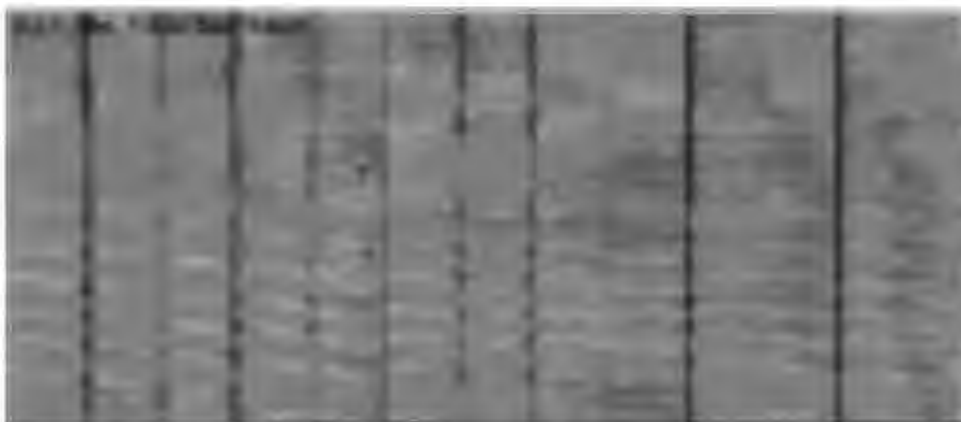


-----Original Message-----  
From: Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
[mailto:Michael.Vickers@~~(b)(6)~~]  
Sent: Monday, May 02, 2011 5:19 PM  
To: McRaven, Bill H VADM  
Cc: ~~(b)(6)~~  
Subject: RE: Burial ~~(S//NF)~~

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Bill,

Sec: ~~(S//NF)~~



Thanks, Mike

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From: mcravenb@~~(b)(6)~~  
Sent: Monday, May 02, 2011 9:12 AM  
To: Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
Cc: ~~(b)(6)~~  
Subject: RE: Burial ~~(S//NF)~~

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TERMS: NONE



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From: Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI  
[mailto:Michael.Vickers@~~(b)(6)~~]  
Sent: Monday, May 02, 2011 12:54 PM  
To: McRaven, Bill H VADM  
Subject: Burial ~~(S//NF)~~

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Best, Mike

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**From:** Rogers, Michael S RADM JCS J2 HQ **Date:** Sunday, May 01, 2011 11:38:03 PM  
**To:** Ashley, Robert P JR BG MIL USA USCENCOM CCJ2-J2; Fogarty, Stephen G US BG USA ISAF DCOS Intel; Hayes, Norman R. RDML; Gandy, Thomas A. SES; Ford, Terrance M. SES; Train, Elizabeth L RDML PACOM, J2; Trautman, Konrad J SES USSOCOM HQ; (b)(6) CAPT NORAD USNORTHCOM HQs J2; EAAPJ2@soc.smil.mil; Becker, Paul B RDML JCS J2; (b)(6) CAPT USTRANSCOM J2; Perrin, Mark W MG USA USF-I J2/Camp Slayer; (b)(6) USAF CENTCOM ODRP/J2; (b)(6) Maj JCS J2; (b)(6) CAPT MIL USN USCENCOM CCJ2-J; Barrier, Scott D BG  
**Cc:** James R. Clapper; (b)(6) NGA-D USA CIV; Vickers, Michael G HON OSD OUSDI; Burgess Jr., LTG Ronald L; J2 DDI JCS J2; Gortney, William VADM JCS DJS; Neller, Robert B LtGen JCS J3; J2 Taskings  
**Subject:** AQ AND PAKISTAN

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**Teammates:**

With the POTUS announcement of today's successful strike at the heart of AQ, I'd ask us all to have our antenna up to anticipate the reaction of AQ and its affiliated groups as well as like-minded groups or individuals who may opt to retaliate, whether it be in the homeland, Afghanistan/Pakistan or elsewhere in the world. That retaliation might occur in the coming days through self radicalization and the insider threat, acceleration of active plots, or immediate visceral reaction by individuals or groups - or perhaps occur weeks, months or years down the road. We'll need to work hard to understand the impact of this event on AQ and its affiliates and how they will likely respond while identifying the opportunities and challenges that have now been presented to us. (b)(1) Sec. 2.3(d)

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This was an incredibly closely held operation and its nice to know good OPSEC practices can still work. Well done to the hunters and those who supported them in bringing this terrorist and murderer to his ultimate and accountable end. Justice sometimes take much longer then we would like, but America doesn't quit. A great day and one we have long been working toward. The fight will go on but again, well done and keep the analysis and reporting flowing.

v/r,

Mike

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