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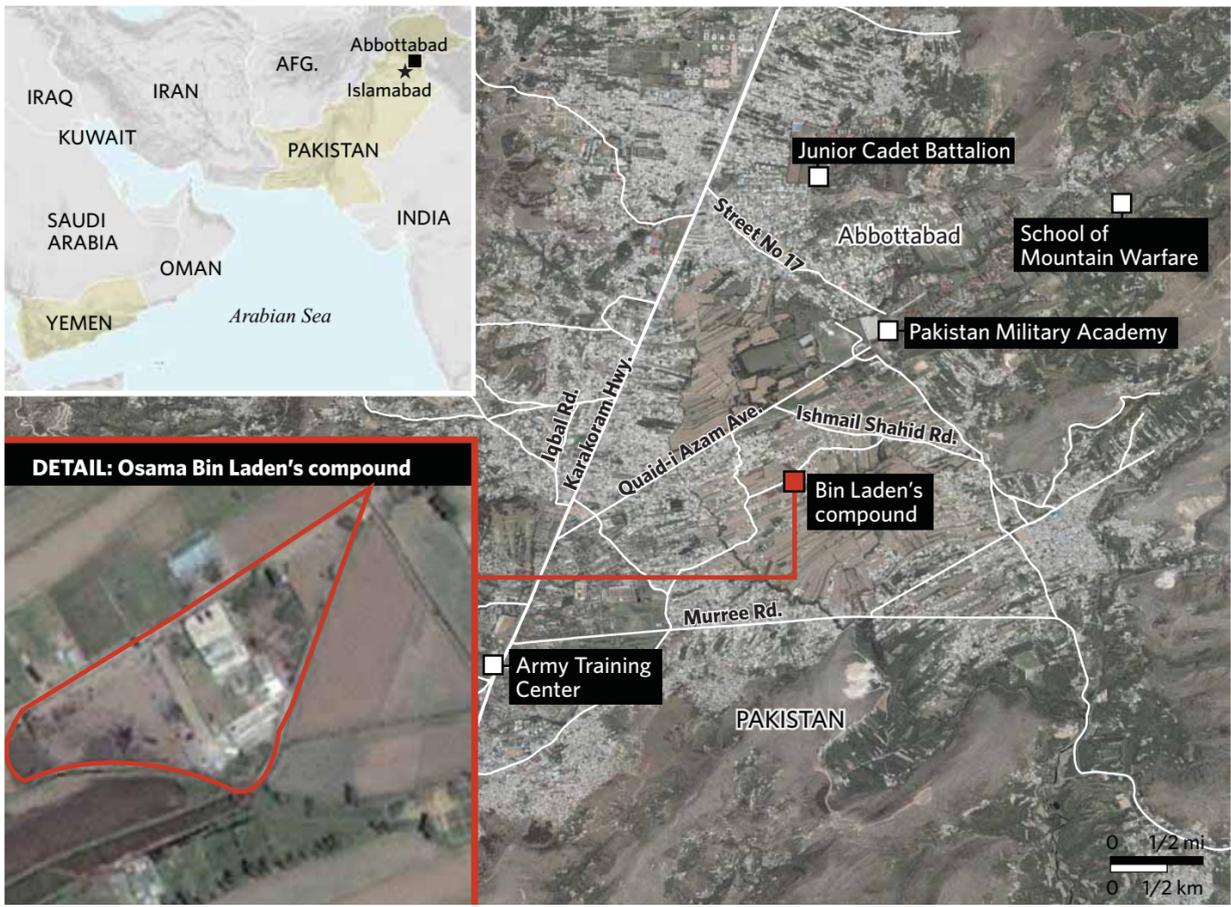
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Phone call led U.S. to Bin Laden

Osama Bin Laden's hidden compound in Abbottabad

Bin Laden's compound was surrounded by various military training centers



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Dorothy de Araujo of Naples was on United Airlines Flight 175. John Hofer of Bellflower was on American Airlines Flight 11. Christopher Larrabee, son of a Long Beach family, died in Tower 1.



Maclovio 'Joe' Lopez Jr. of Norwalk was on United Flight 175. Christopher Newton was a passenger on American Airlines Flight 77. Paramount's Marie Pappalardo was on United Airlines Flight 175.

Emotions run deep for relatives of area victims

By Greg Mellen Staff Writer

LONG BEACH — While there was dancing in the streets in some areas of the United States, the news about the killing of Osama bin Laden brought different levels of emotion to family members of Long Beach-area victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Maria Koutny felt calm satisfaction as she sat on the couch with her daughter, whom her mom had never met, when she heard the news. Koutny and her family in Methuen, Mass., listened Sunday night to the announcement by President Barack Obama that the central figure behind the attacks that killed thousands of Americans had himself been killed in Pakistan.

"Obviously it doesn't change anything," Koutny said. "But it's a little bit of justice. This definitely is a positive thing, justice is the word."

Janet Satterfield was at a friend's home in Palm Desert when she heard and reacted with a whoop. "I'm hoarse," Satterfield said. "I'm jumping up and down and calling (bin Laden) every name in

RELATIVES A5

MANHUNT: Intelligence officials tracked terrorist leader's courier.

By Adam Goldman and Matt Apuzzo The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When one of Osama bin Laden's most trusted aides picked up the phone last year, he unknowingly led U.S. pursuers to the doorstep of his boss, the world's most wanted terrorist.

That phone call, recounted Monday by a U.S. official, ended a years-long search for bin Laden's personal courier, the key break in a worldwide manhunt. The courier, in turn, led U.S.

intelligence to a walled compound in northeast Pakistan, where a team of Navy SEALs shot bin Laden to death.

The violent final minutes were the culmination of years of intelligence work. Inside the CIA team hunting bin Laden, it always was clear that bin Laden's vulnerability was his couriers. He was too smart to let al-Qaida foot soldiers, or even his senior commanders, know his hideout.

But if he wanted to get his messages out, somebody had to carry them, someone bin Laden trusted with his life.

HUNT A5

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Looff's holds memories of The Pike



DOUG KRIKORIAN On The News

On a stretch of Long Beach Boulevard brimming with fast food outlets, 99-cent stores, used car lots, auto repair shops, cut-rate shoe outlets and nail salons, the spruced-up old building stands out like a spectral reminder of an extinct time.

At the southwest corner of its front parking lot rises a tall pole with a sign atop it — "Looff's Lite-A-Line A Game Of Skill" —

that is visible to motorists and pedestrians.

On its white front facade above a green awning is the red neon sign — "Looff's Casino Game of Skill Since 1941" — that was a familiar sight to those visiting The Pike during its prime years.

"That sign was on the roof of Looff's Carousel building," says Mike Cincola, owner, caretaker, curator of a most unique establish-

ment that across the years has survived lawsuits, economic downturns, redevelopment and the inevitable changing entertainment habits of its clientele.

The 67-year-old Cincola, who himself cuts the figure of a not-so-long-ago past in his white-and-black tasseled loafers and tweed herringbone sports coat, is the reason Lite-A-Line still

DOUG A11

Proposed hotel would reactivate downtown tunnel

LONG BEACH: Plan calls for 300-room business at former Jergins Trust site.

By Karen Robes Meeks Staff Writer

LONG BEACH — A developer is looking to incorporate the historic Jergins Tunnel into its 300-room hotel project downtown.

The Long Beach Redevelopment Agency on Monday approved an agreement to talk exclusively with P3 International about developing the property at 100 E.

Ocean Blvd.

The agreement still needs the blessing of the City Council, which took ownership of the property in March. To protect its assets from the state, the agency transferred ownership of it and more than 200 properties to the city.

Under the governor's proposal, the state would save more than \$1 billion in the coming budget year by eliminating redevelopment agencies throughout the state and cutting other programs.

The council is expected

RDA A11

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