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**BLEAK FUTURE FACES TURKISH CONTRACTORS**

With vast expertise in infrastructure, Turkish contractors have been transforming the region, but the picture may soon change if political turmoil that crawls closer to the Turkish borders persists. In the past few decades, Turkish contractors have been storming through key markets such as Russia, Iraq and Libya. ANALYSIS / TAYLAN BILGIÇ PAGE 16

# Bin Laden killed in US raid

AFP photo



**WAR:** This file photo taken in 1989 shows Osama bin Laden walking in the Afghan region of Jalalabad. Born in Saudi Arabia in 1957, Osama Bin Laden built a global network to wage a 'holy war' against the US and its allies.

**Infamous al-Qaeda chief Osama bin Laden is buried at sea after being killed in a firefight with US forces in Pakistan, nearly a decade after the Sept 11, 2001, terror attacks. His death draws cheers in the United States and is welcomed by Turkish and other officials, though global figures caution that the killing may prompt retaliation by al-Qaeda forces**

WASHINGTON - From wire dispatches

Osama bin Laden, the face of global terrorism and architect of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, was killed in a firefight with elite American forces early Monday local time near Abbottabad, Pakistan.

The al-Qaeda chief was then quickly buried at sea in a stunning finale to a furtive decade on the run.

Long believed to be hiding in caves, bin Laden was tracked down in a costly, custom-built hideout not far from a Pakistani military academy. The news of his death prompted relief and euphoria outside the White House and around the globe, yet also fears of terrorist reprisals against the United States and its allies.

Justice has been done, President Barack Obama said in a dramatic announcement at the White House.

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton warned the Taliban you cannot wait us out in Afghanistan, urging the insurgents to break with al-Qaeda.

Our message to the Taliban remains the same, but today, it may have even greater resonance, Clinton told reporters. You cannot wait us out. You cannot defeat us. But you can make the choice to abandon al-Qaeda and participate in a peaceful political process. The military operation took mere minutes, and there were no U.S. casualties.

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## World leaders welcome killing of bin Laden

PARIS / KABUL - From wire dispatches

World leaders on Monday welcomed the killing of Osama bin Laden but warned that the long war against terrorism is far from over and that al-Qaeda could strike back with renewed force.

President Barack Obama said "justice has been done" as he announced the killing of bin Laden by U.S. special forces in Pakistan. Jubilation was tempered by caution in foreign capitals, where many diplomatic missions were advised to review their security amid threats of a backlash.

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## AL-QAEDA LEADER'S DEATH 'SATISFIES' SENIOR TURKISH OFFICIALS

6 President Abdullah Gül says he welcomes the death of Osama bin Laden with satisfaction in remarks echoed by many senior Turkish officials.

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9/11 was a dramatic change to the nature of war. PAGE 10

THE UNITED STATES' BELATED REVENGE

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The revenge against bin Laden comes 10 years later. PAGE 10



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**ATTACKS:** Crowds (top) gather at Ground Zero, the site of deadly Sept 11 attacks (above) in New York City, shortly after US President Barack Obama (L) announces that a US military operation has killed al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden in Pakistan. Bin Laden was believed to be the mastermind of the 9/11 assaults.



**ISRAEL MAESTRO TO TAKE STAGE IN GAZA STRIP**

Israeli conductor Daniel Barenboim is to conduct an orchestra of European musicians in a 'peace concert' in Gaza City, a United Nations agency says. The rare concert, which will take place at the Al-Mathaf Cultural House, was announced by the UN Special Coordinator for the Mideast peace process. PAGE 08



**TURKISH FIRM REJECTED IN NY CAB BIDDING**

Turkish automaker Karsan, one of the three finalists in the bid to produce New York taxi cabs, has been rejected, according to a city official who has been informed of the decision, the New York Times reports. The Karsan's van has been rejected by the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission, according to the officials. PAGE 16

AFP photo



**FEAR:** An instructor (C) lectures Libyan volunteers before heading to the rebel stronghold of Benghazi. Fearing a possible attack, Turkey has closed its embassy in the Libyan capital.

## Turkey closes Tripoli embassy, revisits plans

ANKARA - Hürriyet Daily News

Turkey has temporarily closed its Tripoli embassy for security reasons, a move that seemed to indicate a change in Ankara's approach to the Libyan crisis.

Ankara had been resisting shutting down the embassy, which was also representing the United States, the United Kingdom and Italy. Its decision to leave sparked questions about whether NATO

is planning to intensify its military operation against targets in the Libyan capital. The closure came following attacks on Western diplomatic missions over the weekend after a NATO airstrike killed relatives of Col. Moammar Gadhafi, and may bode poorly for the future of Turkey's road map for Libya, already rejected by rebels in Benghazi.

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DAILY NEWS photo, Emrah GÜREL



**MONUMENT DEVOTED TO PRESS FREEDOM**

A statue for press freedom is unveiled as nearly 70 scribes are kept in jail.

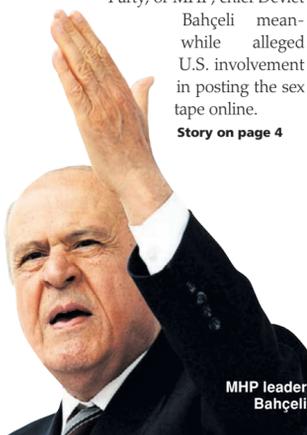
## Opposition reacts to video tape scandals

ANKARA - Hürriyet Daily News

Turkey's nationalist party was hit with a second wave of the recent "tape scandal," as more R-rated footage of two deputies was posted online over the weekend, featuring many women, including a 16-year-old minor.

The former head of Turkey's main opposition, who was forced to resign following his own tape scandal last year, said Sunday that the government bore responsibility for the repeated incidents. "Such organized actions cannot happen without the knowledge of the government," said former Republican People's Party, or CHP, chief Deniz Baykal. Nationalist Movement Party, or MHP, chief Devlet Bahçeli meanwhile alleged U.S. involvement in posting the sex tape online.

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MHP leader Bahçeli

## Fraud raids rock Aegean



**DETENTION:** Police stage simultaneous raids in many Aegean provinces over fraud claims, detaining several officials.

İZMİR/MUĞLA - Doğan News Agency (DNA)

High-ranking officials in two Aegean municipalities were detained Monday on corruption allegations in operations that opposition politicians claimed were politically motivated. More than a dozen raids were carried out at municipal buildings in İzmir and Aydın. "The same pressure being exerted on the media and the judiciary is also being exerted on the [main opposition]," said Oğuz Oyan, an opposition candidate from İzmir.

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