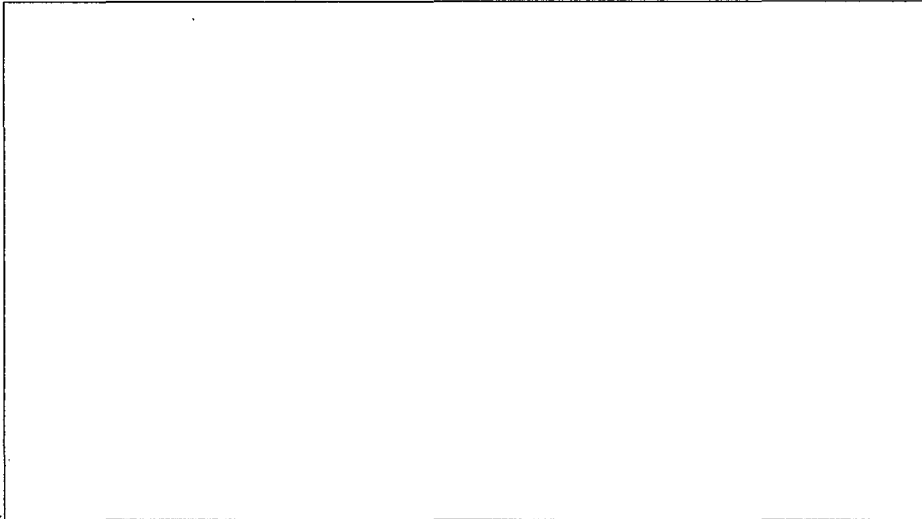


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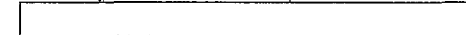
Terrorist financier Usama Bin Ladin in an interview published this week with a US journalist indicated he may attack a US military passenger aircraft using antiaircraft missiles. His comments follow those he made at a press conference last month in which he indicated the results of his jihad would be visible "within weeks."



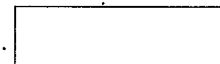
- Authorities in Saudi Arabia [redacted] arrested [redacted] members of a Bin Ladin network and seized antitank missiles [redacted]

If Bin Ladin's organization has antiaircraft missiles, the risk to US aircraft would be greatest in Saudi Arabia, where Bin Ladin has support and infrastructure, but US aircraft also could be targeted elsewhere in the Gulf region. Bin Ladin directed most of the rhetoric in his press conference last month toward the US military in Saudi Arabia and the Saudi regime.

- Last month he claimed to have almost completed preparations for an attack against the US this month; [redacted] indicated such an attack would occur in Saudi Arabia or Kuwait [redacted]



[redacted] There have been previous indications but no strong evidence that Bin Ladin [redacted] has considered targeting US military personnel in the UAE. [redacted]



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