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Bush to double U.S. gulf forces

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush decided to nearly double U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf as a signal to Iraq — and the rest of the world — that the United States has more than enough firepower to force Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait if necessary, U.S. officials said.

"We had to show the international community we were serious," one official said.

The decision also was prompted by Bush's determination to match Saddam's own military buildup, the officials said.

The officials, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said Bush's decision to send in more troops and equipment was not made overnight, but evolved over a period of weeks.

"The situation has been evaluated and re-evaluated as time went on," one official said.

The administration announced Thursday that massive ground, sea and air reinforcements would be added to the combat power already in the gulf region. That could mean as many as 200,000 new forces will be added to the some 230,000 U.S. military personnel already there.

Bush said they were needed for an "adequate offensive military option" — words chosen carefully as a signal to Hussein.

U.S. forces now in place in Saudi Arabia and on ships in the gulf already had a limited offensive capability, officials said. But they said the president wanted to send a forceful new message to Saddam by emphasizing the word "offensive."

Bush's decision to bolster U.S. forces was motivated, in part, by Saddam's own buildup in sending nearly half of his million-strong

army to face the United States across the Saudi border.

Saddam's dogged refusal to yield to world condemnation, or to four months of international economic sanctions, was also a factor in Bush's decision to up the stakes.

It wasn't that Bush decided at some point that the economic sanctions weren't having an impact, aides said.

"We've always placed an emphasis on the sanctions," one official said. But, he added, "we want to maintain our credibility."

"The sanctions are not changing his (Saddam's) mind, even though they are having an effect on his society," the official said. "The degree of seriousness with which Saddam takes international efforts is questionable."

The United States also is caught between conflicting pressures — being urged by Britain, Saudi Arabia and Turkey to put more emphasis on military action and by the Soviet Union to exercise restraint.

"The Soviets are the lynch pin of the coalition," one official said.

Soviet leaders have acknowledged that force "could not be ruled out" but said they prefer to give diplomacy more time before pulling the trigger.

However, Secretary of State James A. Baker III noted that the international consensus against Iraq was "solid and unified" as he ended a seven-nation diplomatic mission last week to shore up support for potential military action in the gulf.

Sending new reinforcements into the region, but announcing that they would take up to two months to get there, was Bush's way of trying to accommodate both sides.

Rockin' in the field house

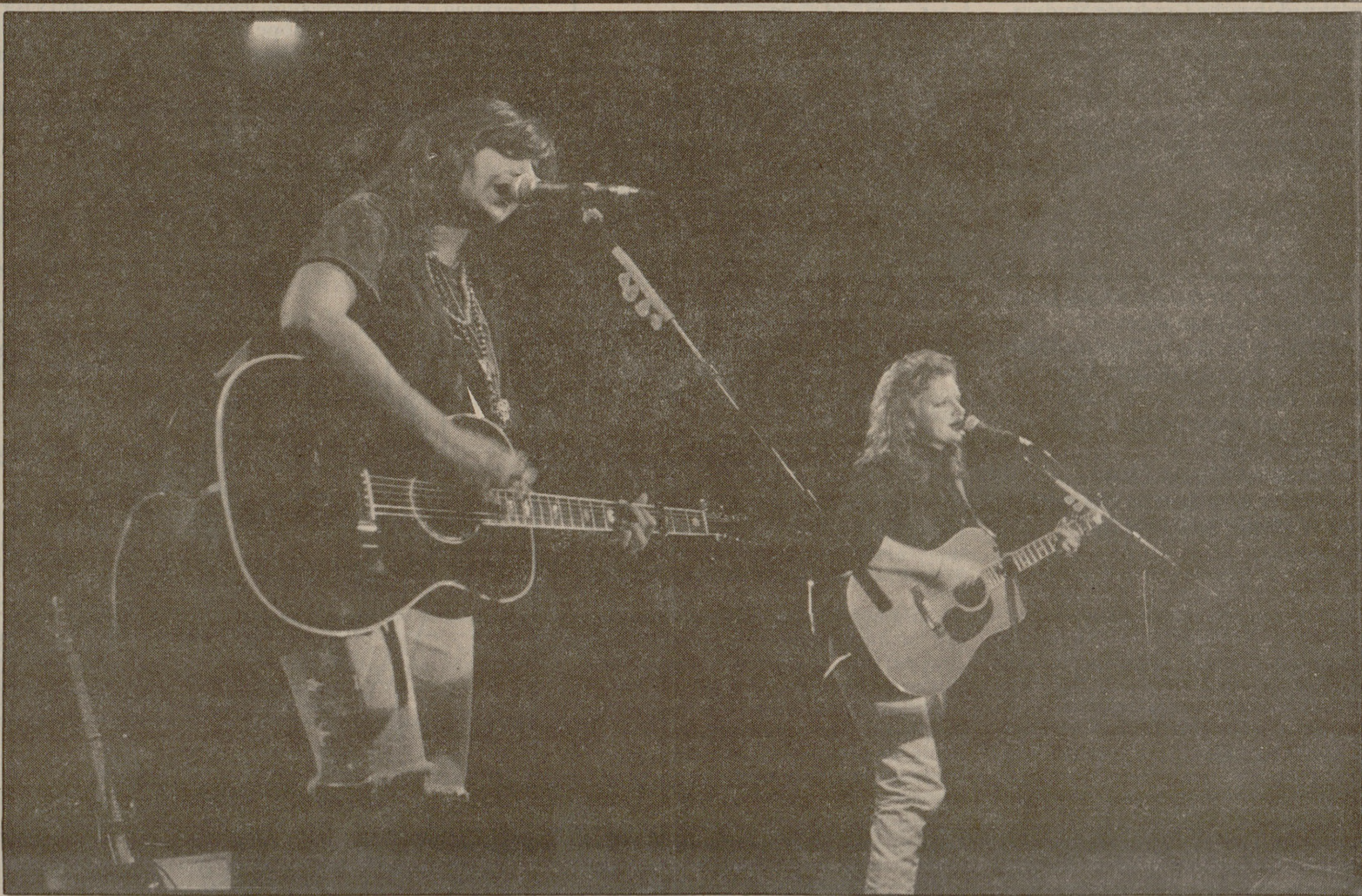


Photo by DENNIS SANCHEZ

The Indigo Girls, Amy Ray (left) and Emily Saliers, performed their brand of folk-rock music for about 1,300 fans Saturday night at Deware Field House. Please see a review of the concert in the Lifestyles section on page 5.

Japan prepares to enthrone new emperor

TOKYO (AP) — In a solemn, centuries-old rite at Tokyo's Imperial Palace, Emperor Akihito formally accedes to the Chrysanthemum Throne on Monday, becoming the first Japanese monarch enthroned as a symbol and not a living god.

Clad in ancient court costume, seated atop an elaborate lacquered platform under a curtained canopy encrusted with gold phoenixes and circular mirrors, Akihito will face a courtyard lined with ceremonial banners.

Next to him on a smaller platform will be Empress Michiko. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu will lead the 2,500 guests in three cheers of "Banzai!" — "May you live ten thousand years!"

Critics say the 30-minute ceremony — and a series of accompanying rites to be held in coming weeks — are based too closely on the traditional religious rituals used for Akihito's father and grandfather, who were enthroned as living gods.

Under Japan's postwar constitution, the emperor is simply a national symbol.

Leftist radicals have vowed to disrupt the ceremonies and have claimed responsibility for a series of bombings and arson attacks in recent weeks.

Two bombs exploded Sunday at the house of U.S. Consul General Gregory L. Johnson in Nishinomiya, in western Japan. Police said they

Monarch to be treated as a symbol, not god

caused little damage and no injuries. It was not immediately clear whether the explosions were connected with the enthronement.

The government is reportedly spending \$95 million on the rites, much of it for security. Opponents say state funding of the ceremonies, linked to Japan's indigenous Shinto religion, violates the constitutional separation of religion and state.

In one controversial element of the rite, Akihito's raised dais is said to be patterned after one used by the sun goddess, from whom tradition says the Japanese imperial line is descended. Critics say that is an implied symbol of divinity.

A record 37,000 police, including reinforcements from a majority of Japan's 47 prefectures, have been mobilized for security surrounding the rite.

Dignitaries from 158 countries expected to attend the ceremony include Vice President Dan Quayle, United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, Supreme Soviet Chairman

Anatoly I. Lukyanov and Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana.

The government has not released the names of Japanese dignitaries invited to the ceremony, because of fear of radical attacks on their homes or businesses.

On Sunday, police vehicles lined the entrances to the palace, hotels and other key areas, and officers checked the bags of passers-by. Manholes were sealed near the palace and police used a low-flying blimp to search for signs of terrorist activity. Frogmen searched the moats surrounding the palace.

Riot police buses and trucks with water cannon stood guard. Officers stopped passing cars, checking licenses and using mirrors to look underneath some vehicles.

Traffic was sharply restricted or halted along highways and in areas around the palace, but few tie-ups were reported, in part because enthronement day was declared a national holiday and many Tokyoites took advantage of the three-day weekend to leave town. Airlines reported many flights were booked close to capacity.

Akihito became emperor immediately upon the death of his father, Emperor Hirohito, in January 1989, but a period of mourning was observed before his formal enthronement.

RHA to sponsor week of multicultural activity

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Texas A&M Residence Hall Association is sponsoring multicultural week with events scheduled Tuesday through Friday.

"Cornucopia of Cultures" specifically was designed to create multicultural awareness among residence halls.

RHA Director of Programs Kathy Hopkins says although there aren't necessarily any problems among students living in residence halls, multiculturalism does exist and people should be aware of it.

"Our point is trying to create an awareness, and we are targeting the residence halls because RHA is always trying to improve life in the halls," she says. "And this is just one way of doing this."

"Cornucopia of Cultures" will begin with a reception for campus leaders at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Rudder Exhibit Hall. Aggie Cinema's international movie "Kagemusha," co-sponsored by RHA, will follow. Students with an activity sticker can re-

ceive a discount on tickets to the movie.

RHA will feature a forum Wednesday to address campus-related multicultural issues as well as ways to unify the student body. The forum will be led by a student panel.

Hopkins says he hopes the event will allow problems dealing with multiculturalism to surface so students can put a stop to them.

The forum will be at 8:30 p.m. in 601 Rudder.

Voices of Praise will perform at noon Thursday in the MSC Flagroom. Later that evening, a cultural entertainment extravaganza featuring a variety of dance and musical groups will be from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Flagroom.

The Second Annual Multicultural Drive-In Workshop, sponsored by the Department of Student Affairs, will take place Friday and marks the end of "Cornucopia of Cultures."

The workshop will focus on creating a multicultural environment in residence life.

For more information call the RHA Office at 845-4768.

Transplant recipient remembered by friends

WHITE SETTLEMENT (AP) — For almost seven years, Stormie Jones battled to live a life free of the medical complications and media glare that had resulted from her history-making heart-liver transplant.

That fight ended Sunday when the 13-year-old died in a Pittsburgh hospital where she had been flown Saturday after complaining of flu-like symptoms.

Stormie, who didn't like all the attention focused on her, wanted more than anything to be treated like a normal teen, friends said.

"She wished everybody would treat her normal instead of like she had an operation, because she didn't like everybody asking her how she felt or if she was feeling OK," Crystal Millikan, Stormie's best friend, said.

"Nobody in the world was as sweet or kind as her," Crystal said. "There'll be nobody like her."

Stormie made medical history on Valentine's Day 1984 when she became the world's first heart-liver transplant at the age of 6. The operation was necessary because she was born with a congenital condition that left her cholesterol levels 10 times higher than normal.

Before the first transplant, Stormie suffered two heart attacks and underwent two triple coronary bypass operations.

She had no serious complications from the first transplant until October 1988, when doctors at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh removed a bile duct obstruction. Hepatitis damaged that liver, and this year she re-

turned to Pittsburgh and received a second liver on Feb. 20. In July, she was again treated for hepatitis, which damaged her second transplanted liver.

Doctors, family and friends often marvelled over Stormie's determination to recover from each of the setbacks caused by liver rejection, medication changes and a host of other illnesses.

"I guess it's just hope. There's a thing in the back of your head that says, 'Get up,'" Stormie once told reporters.

"I just wanted more for her," said Crystal's mother, Teresa Millikan, who spearheaded efforts to raise funds for Stormie's expenses. "She deserved more. She was God's walking angel. She touched so many people's hearts."

"I'm going to miss her a lot," Crystal said Sunday afternoon at the apartment complex where her family and Stormie's lived in this suburb of Fort Worth.

Friends shielded Stormie's sister, Misty, from the media Sunday.

"We got so close to the family," Kenneth Millikan, Crystal's father, said. "It's real rough."

Crystal, also 13, said she and Stormie often went to the mall, went "cruising" or had sleepovers.

In the last week or so, Crystal said Stormie gave her a poster she had drawn with a bear and jack-in-the-box with the caption "Friends are forever." Crystal said when Stormie gave her the poster, she said, "Don't forget me."

Gearing up



HUY THANH NGUYEN/The Battalion

Seven-year-old Jacob Siever waits for the start of the 5-mile portion of Beta Theta Pi's Race for Life at the A&M Research Park Sunday. The event benefits Young Life of Brazos Valley.

Soviets retain guns illegally after decree

MOSCOW (AP) — Law enforcement authorities estimate that Soviets have 3.6 million illegal guns in their hands, leaving the increasingly restive population "armed to the teeth," a newspaper reported Sunday.

The article in Komsomolskaya Pravda was the latest in a series of reports about rising lawlessness in the country and appeared less than a week after a gunman opened fire in Red Square while President Mikhail S. Gorbachev and other leaders were reviewing Revolution Day festivities.

Four months ago, Gorbachev ordered illegal firearms to be turned in, but the newspaper reported widespread disobedience of the decree, with the Interior Ministry saying that individuals surrendered only 20,100 guns, 700,000 rounds of ammunition and 3 tons of explosives.

Of the 3.6 million illegal firearms in circulation, 25,000 are rifles, the Interior Ministry said.

The article was a follow-up to a report in Komsomolskaya Pravda last week in which the newspaper offered to buy firearms from black marketeers while keeping their names confidential.

Since the Communist Youth League newspaper began its offer in late October, it reported it has been offered "whole arsenals of various

types of modern weapons," including heavy machine guns, hand grenades, grenade launchers, portable anti-tank launchers and "a railway car full of weapons."

"Our impression is the country is armed to the teeth," correspondent D. Muratov wrote.

The newspaper said it had turned its investigation over to Gorbachev, who has deemed it "very important," and forwarded it to Defense Minister Dmitri Yazov, Interior Minister Vadim Bakatin and other officials.

Weapons are stolen not only from arsenals, but also from armament factories, assembled or in pieces, the newspaper reported. In addition, weapons that are deemed obsolete or irreparable are intercepted by black marketeers before they can be destroyed, it said.

In a separate report Sunday, the Communist Party newspaper Pravda said police captured three servicemen who had deserted from an Interior Ministry unit in Omsk with three submachine guns, five revolvers and a large amount of ammunition that may have been headed for the black market.

Gorbachev's order on surrendering illegal weapons appeared to be aimed at armed volunteers in such ethnic trouble spots as Armenia and Azerbaijan, where nearly 500 people have been killed.

Advance Tickets: \$10 student-\$12 public