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Bush seeks Congress' war support

By Jim Drinkard
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush urged a divided Congress yesterday to back his threat to go to war and said Saddam Hussein must be offered no face-saving incentives to get out of Kuwait.

Experts predict a terrorist backlash if Iraq is attacked.
Iraq's capital appears to be bracing for the likelihood of war.
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withdrawal. The language used was similar to the U.N. resolution authorizing force if Saddam hasn't pulled out of Kuwait by Tuesday.

that is less than unconditional. The danger in this course should be clear to all."
On Capitol Hill, Bush enjoys broad support among Republicans, but Democrats were choosing sides on the war-and-peace issue.

for the liberation of Kuwait, I want to be sure we have tried every possible alternative," he said. "So far, this has not been the case."
Other Democrats were throwing their support to Bush's threat of force.

"If all else fails, war is a reasonable option," he said at a news conference. He said the risks of future Iraqi aggression and control of oil would justify the loss of 500 to 1,000 American lives, which Aqins estimated would result from a phased U.S. air and ground attack.

DPS officer dies from gunshot
Nogales drug case claims second life

By John F. Rawlinson
The Arizona Daily Star

A veteran Department of Public Safety officer died yesterday after being shot Monday during a drug traffic stop in Nogales, Ariz.

DPS Sgt. Manuel "Manny" Hurtado Tapia, 41, died at 1:45 a.m. during surgery at Tucson Medical Center, said Harold Sanders, a DPS spokesman.

Tapia had been with the DPS at least 18 years and had been assigned to the Nogales area since 1988, he said.

Sanders said the incident occurred Monday night as Tapia and members of the Santa Cruz County Metropolitan Task Force conducted a drug surveillance.

Investigators searched the car yesterday and found 90 to 100 pounds of marijuana in the trunk. The drug was valued at \$80,000 to \$100,000 on the street, Sanders said.

"The driver was the only occupant of the vehicle," said Sgt. Rick Knight, another DPS spokesman. "They got him out, got him to the back of the car. The driver was at the wheel."

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Baker, left, and Aziz express optimism for their talk in Geneva; but the Palestinian issue, if it arises, is expected to be an obstacle



AP file photo

Baker, Aziz cite desire for peace

Conflicts are visible for today's meeting
By Barry Schweid
The Associated Press

GENEVA — Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz arrived last night for their meeting on the Persian Gulf crisis, talking of peace but holding firmly to sharply conflicting U.S. and Iraqi positions.

Baker, who spent most of the day trying to cement the anti-Iraq alliance in France, Germany and Italy, said during a stop in Bonn that he would welcome from Aziz "anything that would result in a peaceful and political solution to this crisis."

But he also said there must be "no walking back in any way from the U.N. Security Council resolutions" calling for Iraq to quit Kuwait by Tuesday or risk war.

Azi said he was prepared for a useful meeting today with Baker if he found a "genuine, sincere interest in making peace through the whole Middle East."

Apparently abused tot, 2½, may be near death

By Mark Bryant
The Arizona Daily Star

A 2½-year-old girl was in critical condition last night with skull fractures at Tucson Medical Center, apparently a longtime victim of child abuse.

"Her prognosis does not look very favorable," said Detective Tim DeJonghe of the Tucson Police Department's dependent child unit.

Her 19-year-old mother, Shelley Mott, has been charged with child abuse with serious physical injury, a Class 2 felony. The woman's boyfriend, Vincent Near, 32, has been charged

with the same crime. Both were being held in the Pima County Jail, each on \$75,000 bond.

"If the child does pass away, the charges would probably be amended on one of the suspects" to homicide or manslaughter, said Sgt. Pete O'Conroy, also with the dependent child unit.

About 8:30 a.m. on Jan. 2, paramedics were called to the 3000 block of East Lee Street. The child had been injured about 8:30 the night before, according to a police report.

Shelley Mott was taken to TMC with head injuries. Her mother told police that her daughter was on the toilet when the seat broke, which caused her to crack her head.

"Upon viewing the child I observed injuries that were inconsistent with the mother's story," Tucson police officer Robert Cravatos wrote in his report.

He wrote: "The extent of the victim's injuries include skull fractures, numerous bruises on the lower extremities and lower back area and what appeared to be a burn on the bottom of the right foot. There was also bruising found on the forehead and back of the head."

healing indicated the abuse had been going on for some time, authorities said.

Child Protective Services took custody of Shenna and her 2-month-old sister, Nicole Mott.

CPS no longer has custody of Shenna, DeJonghe said. The child's father is here from Pennsylvania to be with his daughter, he said.

A woman who would not identify herself, saying she feared reprisals, said she saw Shelley Mott and the injured toddler early in the morning. The toddler's arm was jerking and

The various injuries and their degrees of

event led up to the Northern Telecom Open, which begins tomorrow. Story, Page 1D.

WEATHER
Sunny and breezy. Today is expected to be mostly sunny and breezy with northwest winds of 15 to 25 mph.

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Kit Peak scope shut
Cracked support. Officials close Kit Peak's largest telescope after a crack is found in a steel pipe that helps support the 360-ton dome of the 4-meter Mayall. The Mayall is the second-largest optical telescope in the continental United States.

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Prepare for bloodshed, Baltic residents told

By Thomas Ginsberg
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Officials in the secessionist Baltics warned their citizens yesterday to brace for bloodshed and prepare for civil disobedience against Soviet paratroopers deployed to enforce the draft.

Soviet authorities "are trying to create a new conflict artificially, and the real reason is not the draft, but to suppress the independence of the republics," Estonian Prime Minister Edgar Savisaar told reporters in Moscow.

A Soviet armored column of 108 vehicles entered Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, at 4:35 a.m. and wound past the republic's Parliament before reaching an army barracks, the Lithuanian government said.

The Soviet Defense Ministry said Monday that it was also sending extra troops to help draft boards in the rebellious republics of Latvia, Estonia, Moldavia, Armenia, Georgia and the Ukraine. It said national security was in danger because so

many draftees are avoiding military service.

Thousands of people marched last night around the Lithuanian Parliament after President Vytautas Landsbergis called on them to defend the independence-minded body.

The situation in Lithuania was further confused by the resignation yesterday of Prime Minister Kazimieras Prunskienis after the Lithuanian Parliament suspended price increases she had imposed the day before.

Savisaar and other Baltic leaders appealed for Western support. Tensions have soared in the 24 hours since President Mikhail S. Gorbachev announced he was sending troops to halt draft evasion and desertion in the seven republics.

The United States, after months of encouragement for Gorbachev, sternly rebuked him for sending troops.



Mark Wobe playfully bows to the crowd at the U S West Cellular Shoot-Out at StarPass. The event led up to the Northern Telecom Open, which begins tomorrow. Story, Page 1D.