

Clinton sending troops to Bosnia has Republicans up in arms

■ **BOSNIA:** 37,000 U.S. support troops will soon be sent to Yugoslavia

WASHINGTON (AP) — As President Clinton pressed his case for sending 20,000 U.S. ground troops to Bosnia, the Pentagon said Tuesday an additional 17,000 Americans would provide support in and around the former Yugoslavia.

Even Republican critics acknowledged that the deployment seemed inevitable. "He's hellbent to do it, so we're going to have to support him," said Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind.

Clinton had more persuading to do outside Washington. Thousands of Ameri-

cans called the White House after his televised speech of the night before, and "there was a great deal of skepticism," conceded spokesman Mike McCurry. "The American people clearly want to know more," he said.

Asked what he would do to overcome public skepticism, Clinton said, "More of what we're doing. We'll keep answering questions and reasserting what is at stake here."

With the first 700 Americans expected on the ground in Bosnia within the next few days, Capt. Michael Doubleday, a Pentagon spokesman, said thousands of others would provide support for the eventual NATO peacekeeping force of 60,000. That would bring the U.S. con-

tingent to 37,000.

Among the support troops, there would be:

- 5,000 stationed elsewhere in the former Yugoslavia, most of them in Croatia.
- 3,000 as part of a support force that will handle logistics from countries on the perimeter.

- 9,000, most already in the region, who will conduct air and sea patrols and airlift humanitarian aid.

On the day after his speech to the nation on Bosnia, Clinton held a series of meetings with congressional leaders and members of the House and Senate committees that will examine the Bosnia peace agreement reached last week in Dayton, Ohio.

House Republican Leader Dick Armey of Texas said he told Clinton that if members of Congress are "getting the kind of phone calls from their districts that I'm getting from my district, that getting a winning vote on this matter would be like pulling teeth through the back of your head."

"I am extremely skeptical of this whole operation. I am not at all convinced," said Armey.

McCurry said after the speech, Clinton talked by telephone with former President Bush and retired Gen. Colin Powell, who was the nation's top military officer during the Persian Gulf War. The spokesman declined to characterize the conversations.

YOU ASKED FOR SPORTS?
WE GOT 'EM!
2 SATELLITES!
Come watch the game with us!

- 4 TVs with Big Screen
- Micros on Tap
- Full Bar
- Sports Games
- Video Machines

165W. 11TH
inside King Wah's

DOC'S PAD

683-8101

Rags to Riches

Second Hand Clothing

NEED CHRISTMAS MONEY?

We buy used clothes
Call for Appointment
344-7039
Mon-Sat 10-6
• 360 E. 11th •

Police say woman sold her son to settle cocaine debt

■ **DRUGS:** The 15-year-old boy was found delivering cocaine

DETROIT (AP) — A 15-year-old boy who was missing for at least six months had been handed by his mother over to a drug dealer to settle her \$1,000 crack cocaine debt, police said after finding the boy Tuesday.

Investigators sorted through conflicting accounts of whether he went voluntarily, sold drugs, was used as a sex slave or was forced to smoke crack himself when he was hungry so his captors could save on food.

Acting on an anonymous tip, police found the boy in a small, run-down house in a neighborhood thick with drug dealers and prostitutes.

His grandmother said he appeared addicted to crack. He had lost a lot of weight but seemed otherwise OK, she said.

"He's crying a lot. I think he's all right — he said he's all right," she said. "He's as sweet as he can be. He's got one hangup: It's his mother. He loves her."

Inspector Michael Hall said although police believed the boy was sold to settle his mother's debt, "We have an indication that at some point, he became a willing partner in drug dealing."

The boy appeared in juvenile court and was charged with delivery of cocaine, possession

of cocaine with intent to deliver and truancy. His next court appearance was scheduled for Dec. 13.

The 33-year-old mother was already in jail on an unrelated burglary charge and could face charges over her son.

A man found with the teenager, described by police as a drug dealer with a long record, was arrested. He wasn't identified by authorities, but police said the mother gave her son to a different dealer, who was being sought.

"He was supposed to be working to pay off his mother's debt," said Sgt. Shelley Foy of the police child abuse unit. He went along to protect his mother, a common response in neglect cases involving drug-addicted parents, she said.

"They've learned to protect their parents. It's all they have," Foy said.

The boy denied his mother sold him to settle a \$1,000 crack debt, but other evidence indicated it was true, Hall said.

The boy's grandmother said she talked to him for about 10 minutes at a detention center after he was found and that he told her, "Mama, I need help."

The boy had been living with his grandmother until he disappeared, but the mother had custody. The grandmother said she planned to ask the juvenile court to give custody to her. Foy said the whereabouts of the boy's father were unknown.

FUTON



**EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY AMERICAN MADE
RUSTIC ASH LIVING ROOM \$1158⁰⁰**

Sofa, Chair, Coffee and End Table.

SE PORTLAND
3200 SE
Hawthorne
236-0921

NEW LOCATION!
NW PORTLAND
602 NW 23rd
274-4217

EUGENE
1231 Alder
(U of O Campus)
686-5069

**ROCK SOFT
FUTON**

— FINANCING AVAILABLE —
90 Days Same As Cash with Credit Approval



Linguistics The Science of Human Language

Winter Courses

- **Language, Culture, and Society**
Ling 295 CRN: 23307 MWF 10:00-10:50
Group 2 Satisfying
- **Introduction to Linguistics**
Ling 290 CRN: 23302 MWF 11:00-11:50
Group 2 Satisfying
- **Structure of English Words**
Ling 150 CRN: 23294 or 23295 MWF 11:00-11:50
or 12:00-12:50
Group 1 Satisfying
- **Linguistics and the WorldWide Web**
Ling 410 CRN: 26639 MWF 2:00-3:00

Department of Linguistics
346-3906

<http://babel.uoregon.edu/ling.html>