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## **Clinton Recovering After Surgery**

#### Former president rests after

#### quadruple bypass

(AP) - Former President Bill Clinton was described as doing well Tuesday, breathing on his own as he recovers from an operation to relieve arteries so severely clogged that he was in imminent danger of a major heart attack.

He was taken off his respirator of Clinton's surgery team, said

Kelly said on NBC's "Today." "That doctors said.

endorse a presidential candidate.

Independent Ralph Nader trav-

eled here Saturday and made an

aggressive pitch for their backing

in a closed-door meeting held separately from the conference.

amongst ourselves," said Salam al-

Marayati, head of the Muslim Pub-

lic Affairs Council, a public policy

group based in Los Angeles. A

decision is expected next month

from the American Muslim

Taskforce, an umbrella group for

major Muslim organizations.

"We are still deliberating

was not guaranteed.

being said, the president has had about to undergo."

Clinton underwent the four-hour



Former President Bill Clinton

Monday night - a crucial step in his quadruple bypass operation Monrecovery, Dr. Bob Kelly, a member day at New York Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia. His heart disease was extensive, with blockages in "Everything is going very well," some arteries well over 90 percent,

"There was a substantial likelimajor, major surgery, and it's a sig-hood that he would have had a nificant recuperation that he's substantial heart attack," Dr. Allan Schwartz, chief of cardiology, said Monday. Doctors called Clinton's operation successful and said he could leave the hospital in four or five days and return to full health in weeks.

"These past few days have been quite an emotional roller-coaster forus," Clinton's wife, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, said in a statement. "The president's optimism and faith will carry him through the difficult weeks and months ahead of that we have no doubt."

Schwartz said in the future, it will be possible for Clinton to lead an "extraordinarily active lifestyle."

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Army chaplain Capt. Yusuf Yee, center, talks with convention attendees following a panel discussion among Muslim chaplains in the military Sunday at the Islamic Society of North America convention in Rosemont, III. (AP photo)

American Muslims hold special dorsement in a presidential race, immigrant Muslims tend to be edu- dence in immigration hearings. cated professionals - an attractive demographic for both parties.

organizations made their first en- mistake.

importance this election year be- choosing Bush over Democrat Al cause they have strong communi- Gore. The Texas governor had indities in battleground states such as cated he was sympathetic to their Michigan, Ohio and Florida. Also, concerns about using secret evi-

The Muslim leaders who had organized the 2000 Bush endorse-In 2000, leaders of major Muslim ment said openly they had made a

#### CORRECTION

Former Portland Police Officer James Sery shot James Jahar Perez in a traffic stop last March. A headline from last week's issue referred only to the victim as James, confusing readers with another victim of a police shooting, Kendra James. The Portland Observer regrets the error.



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