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## **TERRORISM**

### **ONE OF 36 MOST-WANTED ARRESTED CARRYING PIPE BOMB**

In Madinah on July 25, security forces arrested Mohammed Saeed Alamri, a 25-year-old Saudi whose name is #10 on the list of 36 most-wanted issued on June 28, 2005. He was carrying a pipe bomb when he was apprehended along with two other militants.

Meanwhile, on July 19, security forces uncovered a terrorist hideout in a residential neighborhood of Al-Kharj in Riyadh Province. The hideout had been used for the manufacture and storage of weapons.

### **SAUDI ARABIA STRONGLY CONDEMNS EGYPT BOMBINGS**

Saudi Arabia issued strong condemnation of the July 23 bombings in Sharm al-Sheikh, and reiterated its stance with Egypt and the international community in the war on terrorism in all its forms.

## **SAUDI-U.S. RELATIONS**

### **NOMINATION OF AMBASSADOR DESIGNATE TO THE UNITED STATES**

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs issued a statement on July 20 announcing the nomination of Prince Turki Al-Faisal to be Ambassador to the United States, the position that has been held for over twenty years by Prince Bandar bin Sultan, whose request to resign for personal reasons has been accepted by King Fahd. Prince Turki is currently Ambassador to the United Kingdom and Ireland.

In an interview with Wolf Blitzer on CNN's 'Late Edition' on July 24, Prince Turki discussed Osama bin Laden and the war on terrorism.

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