Alliance, ex-king agree to formula for government

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**EENOSDWINNER**, Germany — On Day 3 of the Afghan talks, the options appeared bleak for ending the war that has claimed 100,000 lives and displaced more than 5 million people.

But there is a chance that a formula for a new government could be agreed to by a transitional government and by the Taliban, which controls 55% of the country.

Under heavy international pressure, the rival Afghan groups on Tuesday signed a deal to end the war and to hold elections in 2016. The election will determine the future of the country.

The agreement was reached after a two-day meeting in Afghanistan.

Aid organizations expressed concern that the deal could lead to violence and instability.

For now, the Taliban and the government are poised to continue their reopening of the country.

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Godspeed Kasey Swisher

It is easy to support someone you agree with who uses an issue as an extenuating fact to back himself up and selling others to get what he needs. I don’t see it as a significant difference and surely enough to be considered support for that leader. This is the position I’ve been in for a long while, as one can see from my support for George W. Bush, then, during his two terms, which was grounded on attempts to set aside differences and come together on a common, middle-ground.

I’m not ignorant though, I know it’s not quite easy to be on the other side of the fence and I don’t have any sort of history or background to really hold President Clinton in his shoes. For one thing, I don’t believe he has the same kind of self-control, I probably would have been behind the other guy. But things go as they go.

As a matter of fact, that’s exactly what I like to offer the donors gathered around and Clinton continued on. I’ve seen in the conversation that although my criticisms are justified, my lack of support is.

Support does not rely on an agreement, or on everything being perfectly clear, they are allowing those convictions to influence, and maintaining respect when things don’t. That is why I support someone. I do something I would not have done if I were not so healthy and was unable to do it on my own control. I can do it in a way that is not just for my own control but also for those others who need to do it.

I’ve always believed that being out there is the best way to do what I want. But the more I think about it, the more I think that is not the best way to do what I want. I would do the same thing.

I would not have supported him in the way that he managed the situation, but I did support him in his way of thinking about it. I think we are a better society when we do things that way. I am not as important to him as I am to me.

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Portland hot shooting too much for Vandals

PORTLAND State's (Ore.) women's basketball team played the game of its life yesterday afternoon and put on a clinic on offense that will be hard for any team to forget.

The Blazers, who have struggled on offense all season, racked up 71 points in a 71-66 victory over the University of Portland.

The game was a study in offensive efficiency and was a complete contrast to the game of the Blazers last Saturday in which they scored a season-low 33 points against Kansas.

Portland outscored the Blazers 87-36 in the first half and took a 52 point lead into the locker room at halftime.

The Blazers shot 50% from the field in the first half and 43% in the second half.

Portland guard Barbara Perry scored a game-high 19 points and added five rebounds.

Perry, who was held scoreless in the first half, scored seven of her points in the final 4:26 of the game.

Portland center Darci Darby also scored 19 points and added five rebounds.

Portland forward Mikee Jenkins also had a strong game with 15 points and 12 rebounds.

The Blazers were led by Guard Darci Darby with 15 points and six rebounds.

The Portland Bench also scored 19 points, including 12 from Darci Darby.

The Blazers were outscored 42-35 in the second half.

Portland head coach Mike Pitney said the game was a test for his team.

"This is a game we've been looking forward to," Pitney said. "We wanted to see how our team would respond to a tough test like this."
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2001

Climbing Mt. Rainier

Snowmobiling

Skiing

The University of Idaho Argonaut
Snowmobiling is a winter recreation that can be enjoyed by riders at all levels of expertise. Northern Idaho is home to hundreds of miles of groomed riding trails.

Snowmobile trails abound

BY JANE JOHNSON

Strapping on to their feet and sliding down a gentle slope may satiate the recreational needs of some students, but for those looking to enjoy winter the way it was meant to be enjoyed — shovels to the throttle, starting the trails on a high with bills in the air — snowmobiling is the sport of choice.

Within Latah County, there are over 300 miles of trails in these pomoc regions. Northwest of town, Moscow Mountain boasts a small trail system that weaves on the gentle slopes of the mountain. At the intersection of Idaho State Highway 135 and 124, thefigure of 124 and 135 standout. Beyond Moscow, the trails become farther apart. As you exit the city, you are on the outskirts of town. Both towns of Elk River and Bovill is a larger array of trails. Harvest, 38 miles east of Moscow, provides a good day's ride on lesser known trails.

The average annual snowfall for Latah County is 150 inches. The elevation ranges from 3,800 to 6,000 feet, providing a wide riding variety.

For a more mountainous ride, the St. Joe Forest trail leads past the west side of the Bitterroot Mountains. With over 300 miles of ungroomed trails and 6,120 feet of snow each year, the/St. Joe area can usually provide a good ride on virtually any day of the year.

This hilly terrain provides a great opportunity for cross-country riding as well as downhill trails. The area also has a few miles of ungroomed trails to explore. It is not uncommon to find a glades riding experience.

Groomed trails at the Elk River's North Fork area provides one of the best all-trail riding in the state. Popular trails include Blane Lake, Deer Creek, Black Creek and Bovill Creek. Bovill Creek is just north of the town of Bovill, which has a few miles of groomed trails as well.

The area includes a variety of backcountry riding. Although the area has a few miles of ungroomed trails, the area is not as wide as the Bitterroot area.

It is very difficult to get an accurate estimate of the number of snowmobiles in the state. However, it is believed that there are over 20,000 snowmobiles in the state of Idaho. The area is not as wide as the Bitterroot area.

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UI climbers brave weather on the slopes of Mt. Rainier

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Mt. Rainier is the tallest mountain in the state of Washington at 14,110 feet.

The weather forecast had slightly changed and we heard that a storm was coming in, but our alternative was already running high so we didn’t think we needed to swim up an additional 400 or 500 feet to avoid the storm. When we pushed the climb forward, we would have to risk exposure to the summit in a major storm. We picked the climb in still weather and made our way to the top. The storm was on the way and we knew we would have to make the most of our time before we were forced to retreat.

The climb was steep and we were forced to use crampons to make our way up. The route was challenging and we had to be careful not to slip on the icy terrain. We were determined to reach the summit, and we pushed ourselves to the limit.

At the summit, the view was breathtaking. We could see the surrounding mountains and the city below. We took a moment to appreciate the beauty of the landscape and the achievement of reaching the summit.

When we returned to the base, we were exhausted but also proud of ourselves for pushing ourselves to the limit. We had accomplished something truly remarkable and we knew that we would never forget this experience.

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Hitting the region’s best ski slopes

Schweitzer tops regional ski options

By BRIAN ANDERTON

It’s that time of year again. Stashing skis, breaking out the coat and making sure to keep your toes warm. But sometimes it’s nice to get out and enjoy the snow. Schweitzer Mountain is a great option. Whether you ride or ski, there are plenty of choices around town to equip you for the season, plus some options you may not have tried before.

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