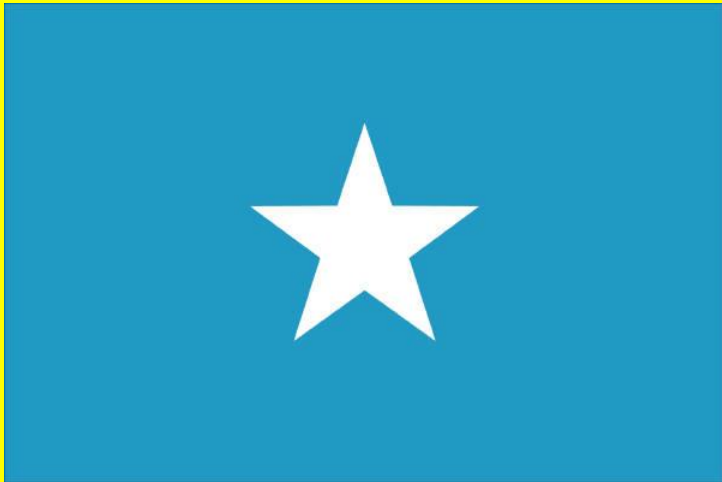
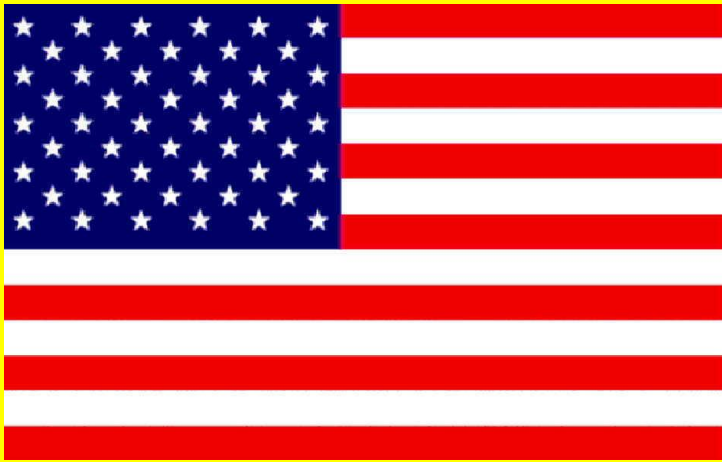
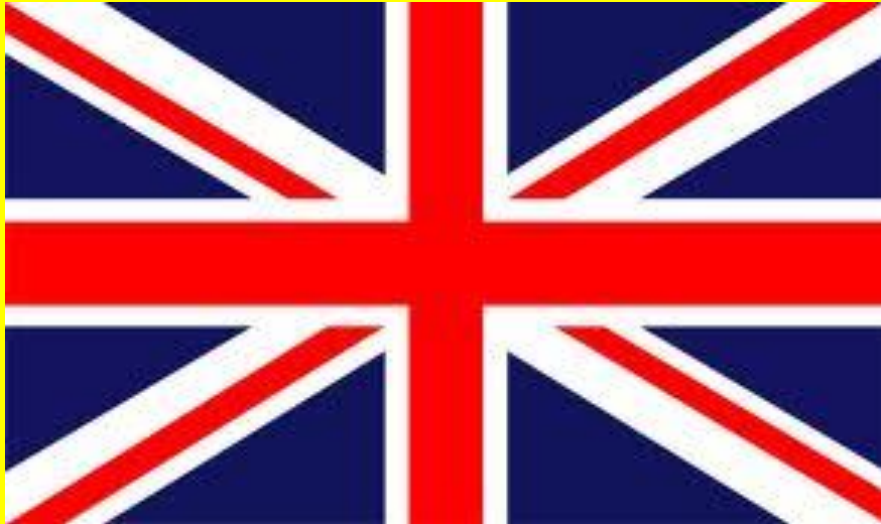


# A Case Study: US-Somali Relations



# Independence and Union

July 1, 1960



British  
Somaliland  
(North)



Italian  
Somaliland  
(South)

# President Siad Barre



October 21, 1969 – January 26, 1991

# Somali-Ethiopian War 1977 - 1978



Somalia (US)

VS.

Ethiopia (Russia)

- US successfully mediated a truce

# Civil War and Famine (1991 – 1992)



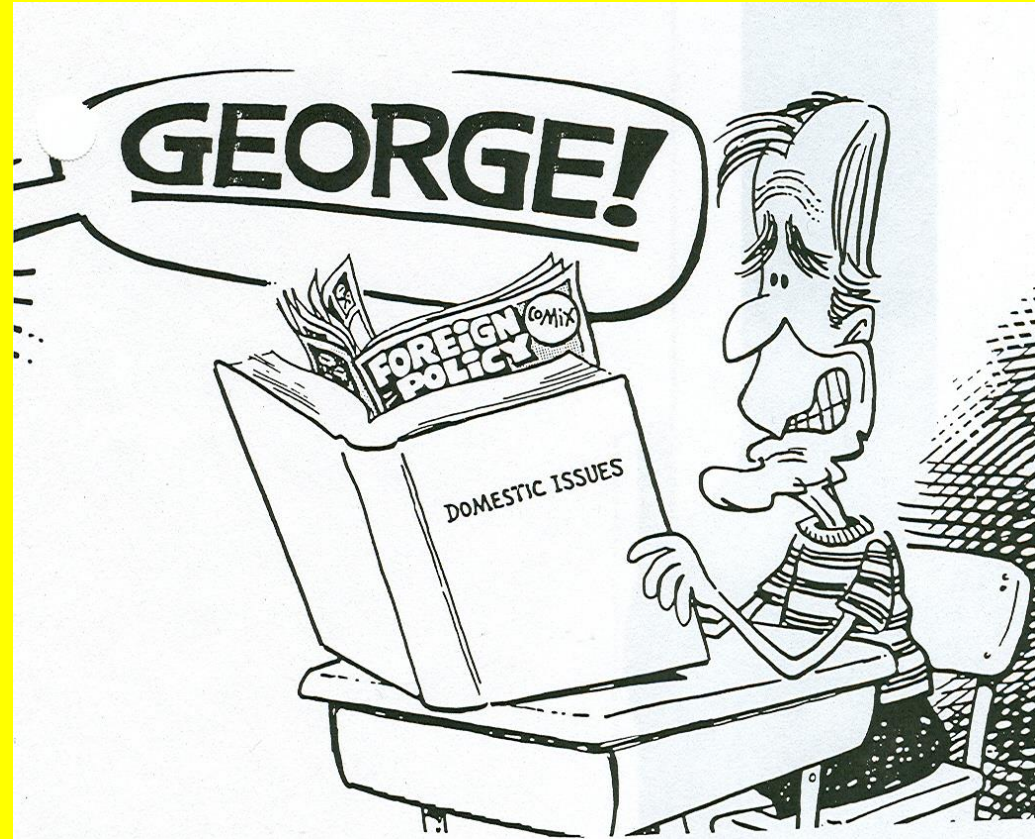
Over 300,000 people died and 1.5 million suffered



# President Barre Ousted (1991)



# Herby's Dilemma



# UN Operation Provide Relief August 1992



- 48,000 tons of food (6 months)



# Problem: Mafia Situation



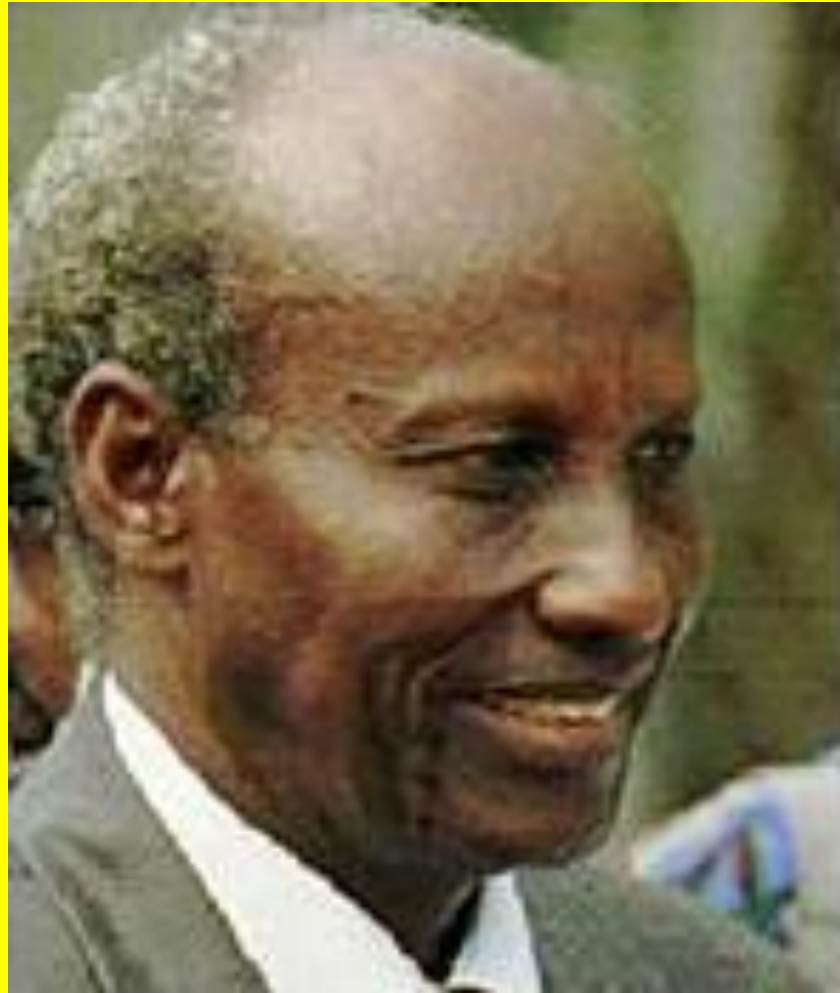
Food intercepted by warlord

# Operation Restore Hope December 9, 1992



- 28,150 US “peacekeepers” assigned
- Mission shifted from aiding to nation building

# Mohamed Farah Aidid Somalia's Worst Warlord





# Bill Clinton's Problem





# UN Deal March 15, 1993



- All 15 Somali parties agreed to foster peace and democracy

# Mohamed Farah Aidid

- Signed agreement but did not follow it
  - June 5, 1993: Aidid responsible for an attack and the deaths of 24 Pakistani UN peacekeepers
- UN Resolution 837 called for arrest and trial of Aidid

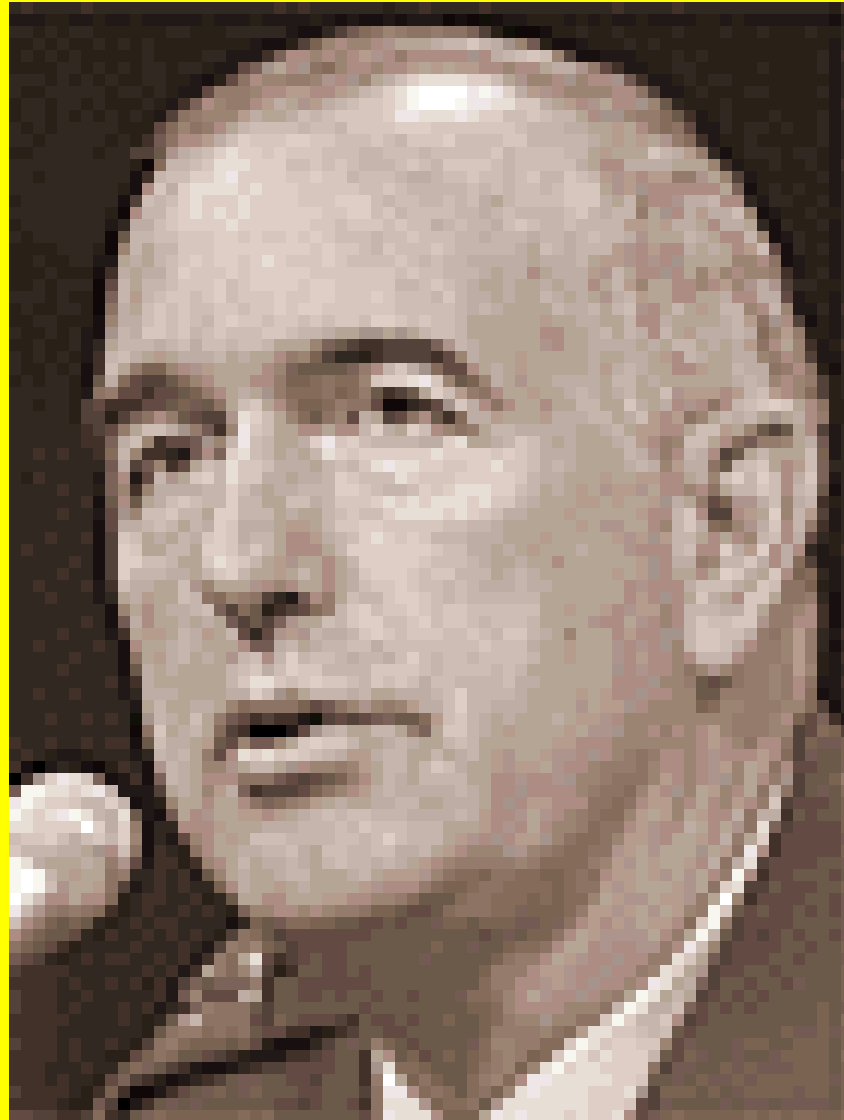


# Operation Gothic Serpent



Goal: Capture Aidid

# General William Garrison





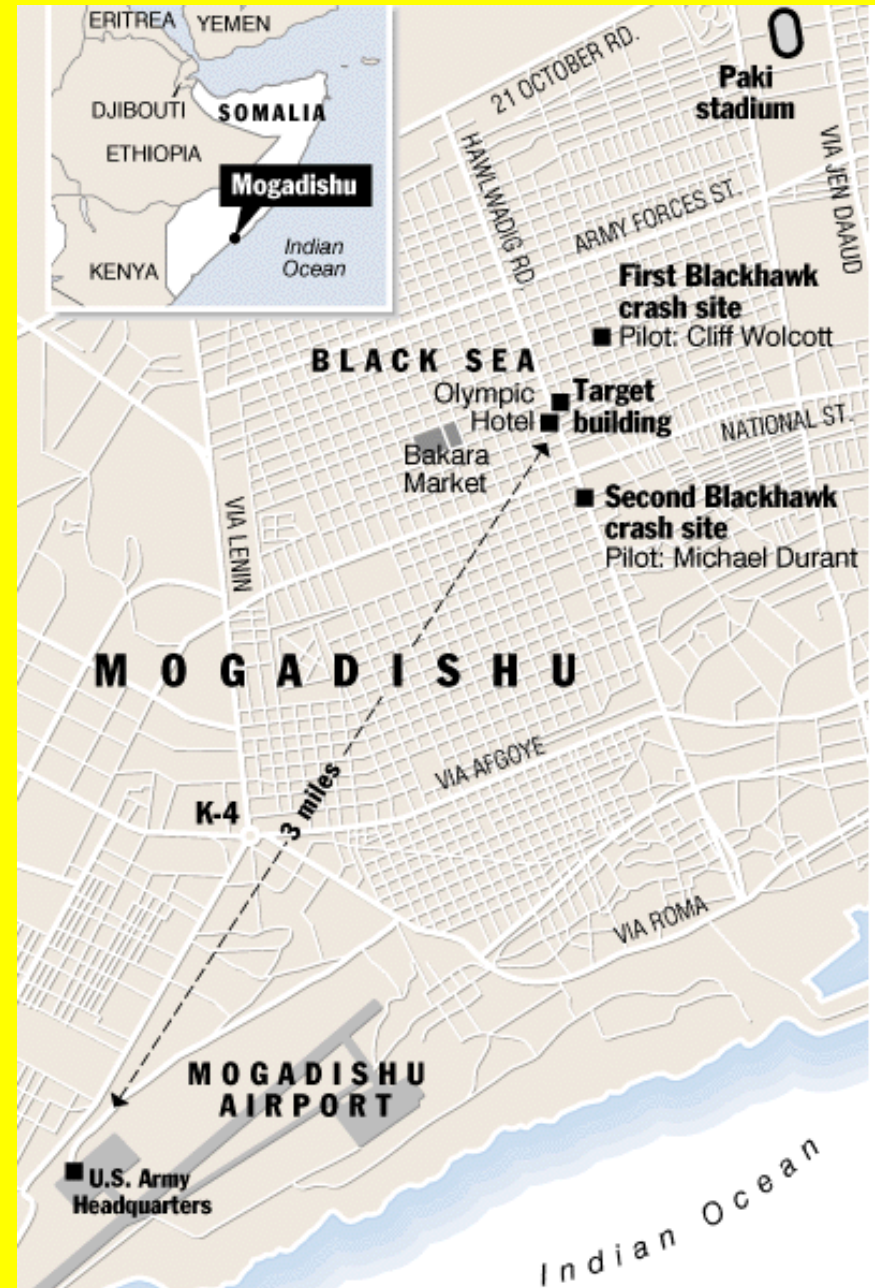
# Battle of Mogadishu

## October 3 – 4, 1993



# The Battle Plan

1. Helicopters used to drop US troops to arrest leaders in Olympic Hotel
2. Convoy picks up prisoners
3. Back to base



# Fighting US Conventional Tactics



## Somali Tactics

- Cells phones
- Tire fires
- Barricades
- Well armed and supplied militia
- Opium





# The Assault



- Touchdown 3:42 pm





# Blackhawk Super 61 Down Pilot Cliff Wolcott



- US team inserted by Super 68 (then hit)
  - Wolcott dead and 5 injured

# Blackhawk Super 64 Down Pilot Mike Durant



- Still Alive (and would be captured)

# Gary Gordon and Randy Shughart



Master Sergeant Gary Gordon

(U.S. Army photo)



Sergeant First Class Randall Shughart

(U.S. Army photo)

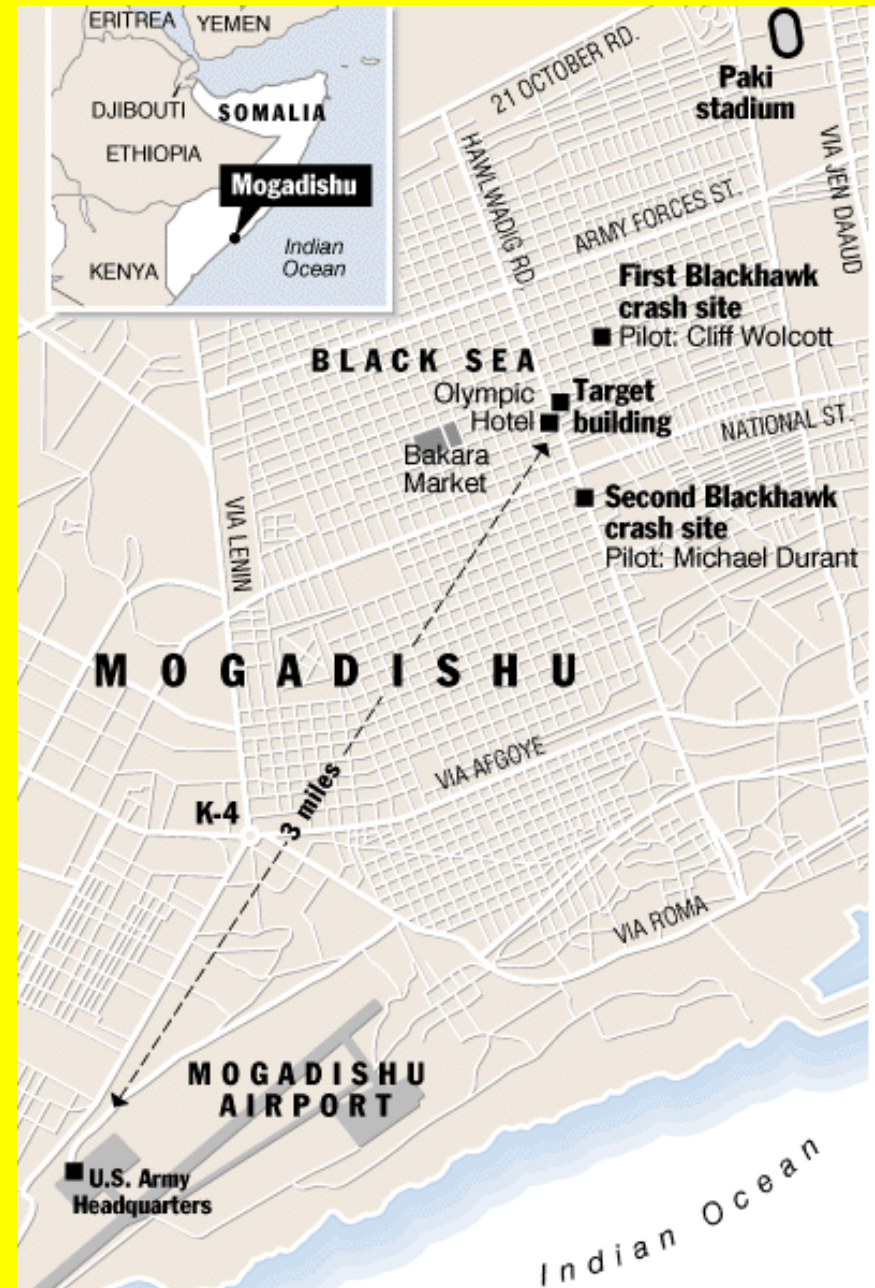
- Awarded Posthumously the Congressional Medal of Honor

# Bodies Dragged through the Streets of Mogadishu





# A Big Mess



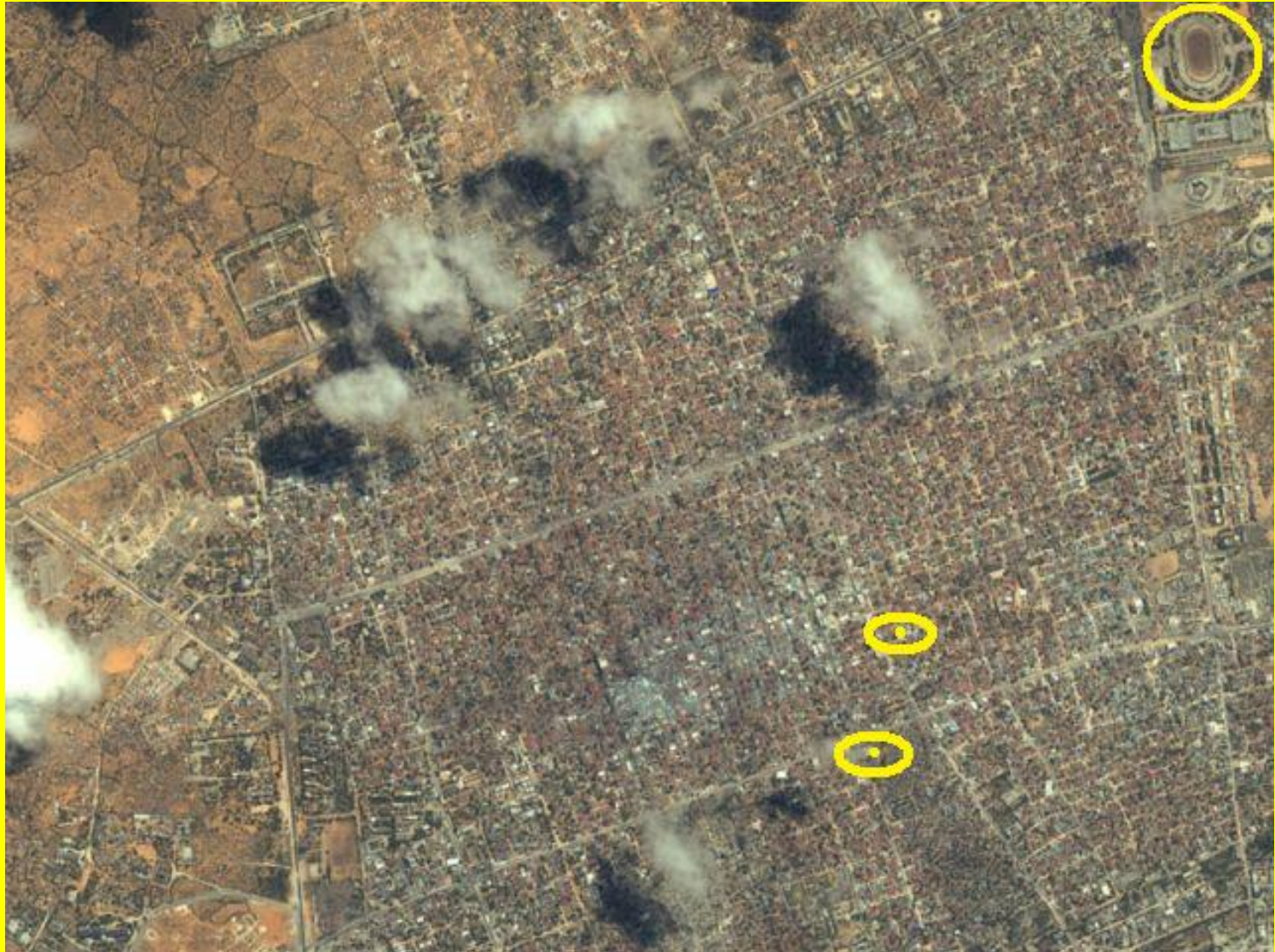
# Fighting in Mogadishu

- Goodale on [shooting a Somali](#)
- Delta Steve on [battlefield ethics](#)
- Sizemore on [soldiers' rules of engagement](#)
- [The battle scene](#) Somali perspective

# UN Convoy rescues the US troops but . . .



# Mogadishu Mile





# Results of Battle of Mogadishu

US

-18 killed

-83 wounded



Somali

-800 - 1,000 killed

-3,000 - 4,000 wounded

Captured

-24 of Aidid's Men



# Return of Mike Durant October 14, 1993



# Results for Clinton

- Loss: US withdrew by  
March 31, 1994  
(Presidential Decision Directive 25)



Felt like JFK after the Bay of Pigs

# Presidential Decision Directive 25

United States is  
leaving the  
mission to the  
United Nations





# Results for Clinton

- Loss: US withdrew by March 31, 1994  
(Presidential Decision Directive 25)
- Clinton's Approval Rating fell from 56%-50%
  - Feared military intervention in 3<sup>rd</sup> world  
(Rwanda and Bosnia)
  - Les Aspin, Defense Secretary, resigned



Felt like JFK after the Bay of Pigs

# Al Qaeda Ties to Somalia



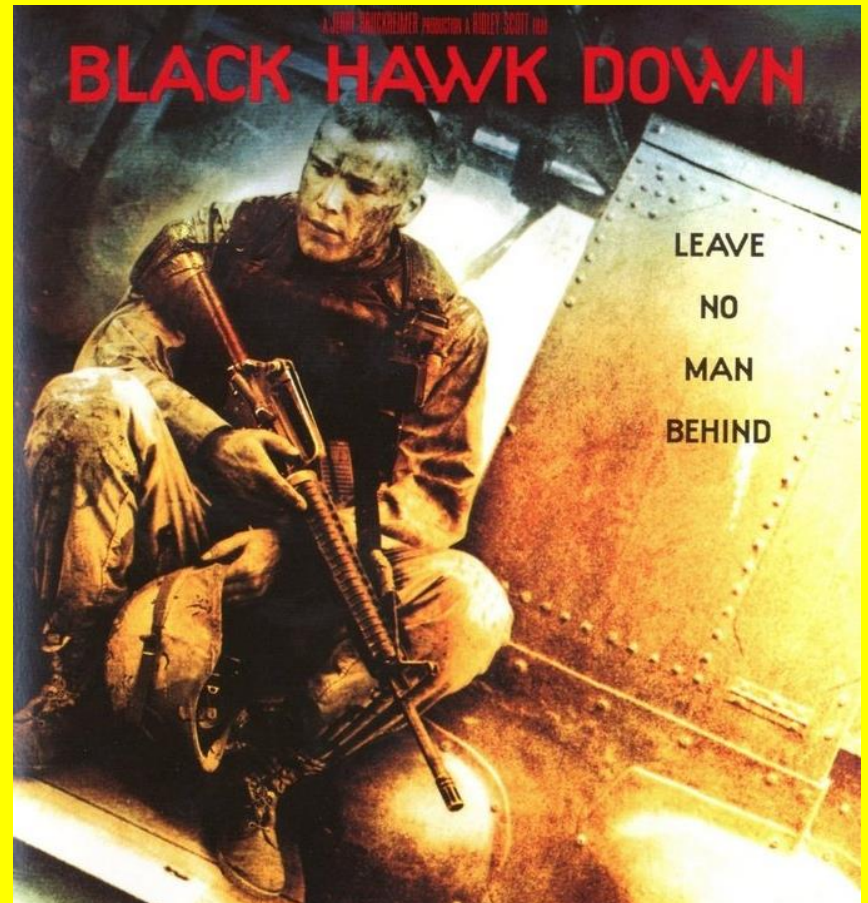
Mohammed Atef

-killed by US forces in Afghanistan (Nov 2001)

# Garrison vs. Aidid (1995)

- July 24 –Aidid hit by 2 bullets in Medina neighborhood in Mogadishu
- August 1 –Aidid died in hospital from wounds in the firefight July 24
- August 1 –General Garrison retired from military
  - With a wink and a smile

# Black Hawk Down





# Somalia's Plight



- 73% of population lives on less than \$2 a day

# Ethiopia vs. Somalia (Again)

## Late 2006 – Early 2009



This time the US supported: Ethiopia

# Obama vs. Somali Pirates





# Somali Pirates







Adds 2 weeks of travel and millions of dollars

# Hijacking of the Maersk Alabama April 8 – 12, 2009



# April 8, 2009: Maersk Alabama



- 4 Somali pirates take the ship
  - Capt. Richard Phillips captured
  - 19 crew members lock themselves into engine room
- US crew captured the pirate leader who was on patrol
  - US crew shut the ship down
- Failed prisoner exchange
- Lifeboat escape



# Problem: Lifeboat and Prisoner



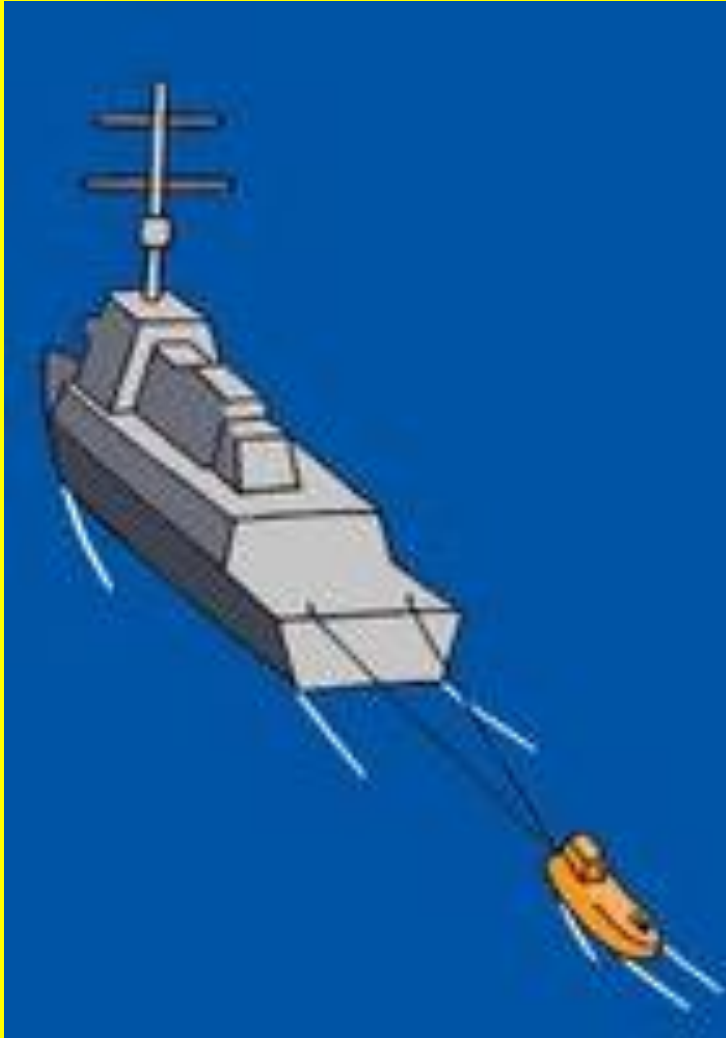


# April 9 (1 a.m.) USS Bainbridge Arrived



April 10  
Failed Escape Attempt by Phillips

# April 11: Negotiations



Somali Pirate Captain Abdhul Wal-i-Musi boarded the USS Bainbridge

# April 11: Crisis Intensified

- 3 remaining pirates
- lifeboat running low on fuel
- received food and water from the USS Bainbridge (Navy Seals)



# April 12: Snipers to the Rescue

- About 40 yards away
- Moving target
- At night
- Simultaneous Hit



You  <sup>TM</sup>





# Somali Pirate Abdhul Wal-i-Musi



Convicted of piracy February 16, 2011  
Received 33 years in a federal prison

# Rescue of Captain Phillips



This Sunday, April 12, 2009 photo released by the U.S. Navy, shows Maersk-Alabama Capt. Richard Phillips, right, standing alongside Cmdr. Frank Castellano, commanding officer of the USS Bainbridge, after being rescued by U.S. Naval Forces off the coast of Somalia. (AP Photo/U.S. Navy photo)

# Somali Pirates' Booty

2010

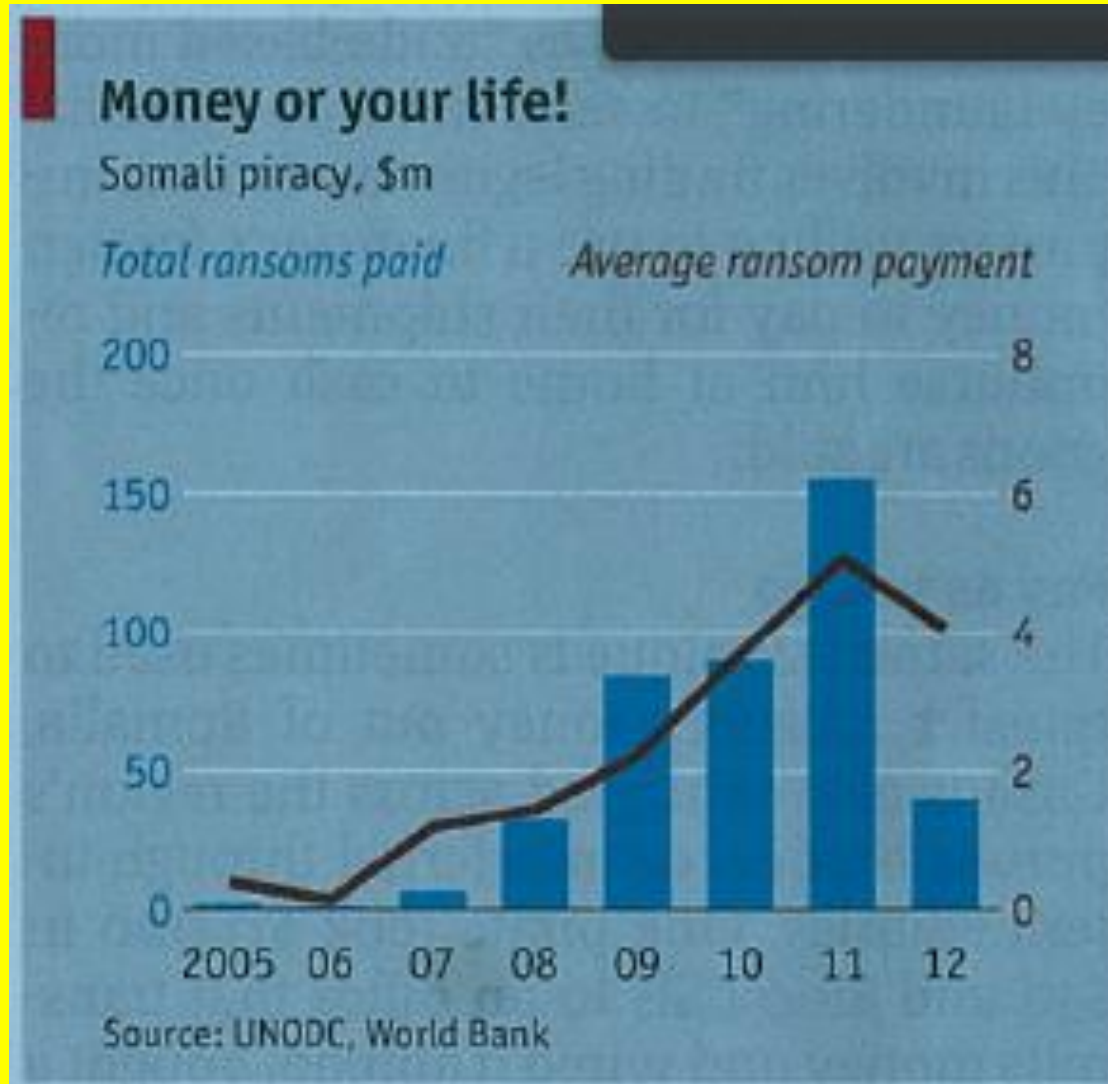
\$100+ million

Source:

International Maritime  
Bureau



# The Treasure of Somali Pirates





# Marida Marguerite

Registered: German

Crew: 22

Captured:

May 8, 2010



Ransom: \$5.5 million

Paid: Dec 27, 2010

# NATO Operation: Ocean Shield



Somali Piracy Down: 34% (Jan-Oct 2012)

Time 11/2012

Congratulations on being the worst government again.



# Ibrahim's Good Governance Ranking for Africa (52 countries)

## **Worst 5 African Governments**

48. Chad
49. Central African Republic
50. Eritrea
51. Dem. Rep. of Congo
52. Somalia



# Long Term Effects

