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(U) Identification and Raid of Usama Bin Ladin (UBL) Compound

(TS//SI//TK//NF) The operation that resulted in the death of UBL is a model of integrated IC support. From the identification of the courier and compound through operational planning and post-mission exploitation, the IC and its military partners performed extremely well as a team. NSA analysts tracked the use of “infrequent” numbers by persons of interest, and the use of Tailored Access Operations implants allowed for sustained collection access against these targets. CIA analysts were able to geolocate one of the infrequently used numbers and tie it to the UBL compound.

(TS//SI//TK//NF) Once the compound was identified, a significant amount of imagery was collected, and NGA built 3-D models of the complex that allowed military partners to construct a full size model to perfect their operational planning. NRO IMINT systems performed over 387 collects of UBL’s compound in the month prior to the raid, providing high-resolution and infrared images that were critical to prepare for the mission and contributed to the decision to approve execution. Months prior to the operation U.S. ground sites participated in an overhead SIGINT mapping effort to evaluate ingress and egress routes for potential threats.

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(TS//SI//TK//NF) During the actual operation NRO SIGINT systems dedicated over 50 receivers from seven satellites to provide situational awareness. Following the successful operation, DIA’s Forensic Intelligence Laboratory at Bagram Airfield analyzed UBL’s DNA samples and provided a conclusive match within eight hours of the raid. The IC and partners provided the National Media Exploitation Center (NMEC) linguist and analytic augmentation, including DHS and the Joint IED Defeat Organization, to exploit materials captured at the compound and the NMEC continues to examine and exploit the electronic materials.

(U) Additional FY 2011 accomplishments include:

- (S//NF) Pattern of life analysis was completed by CIA on a collection of assets in Pakistan to identify any potential linkages, as well as digital footprints. This analysis paired with other technical tests, increased confidence in each asset’s authenticity, reliability, and freedom from hostile control and directly contributed information leading to the successful mission on UBL’s compound.

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