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Bush to Europe: Help war on terror

His tone was a shift from a U.S. policy of chilliness to nations against the Iraq war.

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THE WASHINGTON POST

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia — President Bush implored the great powers of continental Europe on Saturday to overcome their bitterness about the war in Iraq and pull behind the United States to fight terrorism.

Hours after strolling somberly along a rail spur at the Auschwitz concentration camp in an effort to evoke the perils of evil in any age, Bush told a crowd in Krakow, Poland, that the “enemies of freedom” would win if the West’s divisions about the war persisted.

“This is a time for all of us to unite in the defense of liberty and to step up to the shared duties of free nations,” he said in the sunny courtyard of Wawel Royal Castle, where Polish kings ruled for 600 years. “This is no time to stir up divisions in a great alliance.”

In addition, Bush announced that his administration was undertaking a new initiative to foster international cooperation in seizing ships and aircraft suspected of carrying illegal weapons or

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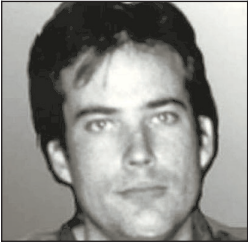
BUSH’S ITINERARY

President Bush flies to the ski resort of Evian, France, today for a summit of the Group of Eight industrial democracies.

Olympics suspect caught

FACES OF A FUGITIVE

The FBI posted various photos and a sketch on its Web site to help in the hunt for Eric Rudolph.



FBI



CHEROKEE COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT

In custody. Eric Robert Rudolph is shown Saturday in a Cherokee County sheriff’s booking mug in Murphy, N.C. Rudolph is suspected in the bombing at the 1996 Olympics and in later blasts.

Accused in 4 bombings, Rudolph hid out for years

By SEAN MUSSENDE and WES SMITH
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MURPHY, N.C. — Eric Robert Rudolph, wanted for the 1996 Olympic park bombing, was arrested early Saturday in this Appalachian village at the edge of a vast national forest that sheltered him from a five-year federal manhunt.

The anti-abortion extremist, survivalist and marijuana aficionado, who was born in Merritt Island, was apprehended at 4:30 a.m. behind a Save-A-Lot food store here.

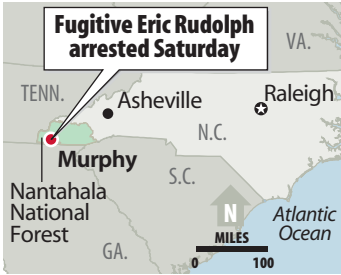
Rookie village patrolman Jeffrey Scott Postell, 21, accomplished with relative ease what hundreds of investigators with helicopters, tracking dogs and electronic listening devices had failed to do.

Postell told a news conference he was on routine patrol with the headlights off on his squad car when he spotted someone dressed in a camouflage jacket, work pants and jogging shoes in the darkness behind the grocery.

He said he thought the man,

ARRESTED

Eric Robert Rudolph, the longtime fugitive charged with the 1996 Centennial Olympic Park bombing and in attacks against an abortion clinic and a gay nightclub, was arrested early Saturday.



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whom he thought was a prowler, ran and hid behind a stack of milk crates. When Postell pulled his gun and ordered the man to step out, Rudolph surrendered without a struggle.

“He complied with everything I asked him to do,” said Postell, who worked in the tool department of a Wal-Mart before he joined the Murphy Po-

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Arrest helps to bring closure to blast victims

By LETITIA STEIN
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ATLANTA — When a lethally loaded backpack exploded during a nighttime concert at the 1996 Olympics, Michael Rising raced to restore order amid the bloody chaos.

Six months later, the FBI agent joined the list of victims connected with Eric Robert Rudolph, who was arrested Saturday in North Carolina and charged in the Olympics blast and three other explosions in Georgia and Alabama.

As Rising investigated a bomb that authorities think

Rudolph detonated at an abortion clinic in the Atlanta suburbs, a second blast rang out about 10 feet from him. Nearly a dozen pieces of wire and nail smashed against the side of his head. Shrapnel punctured his back and left foot and carved a teaspoon of flesh from his right ankle.

His scars healed, but Rising never has fully recovered. On Saturday, he traced his finger along the imprint of a nail that the bomb carved into a statue at the city’s Centennial Olympic Park. Pleased by the arrest, he praised the law-en-

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SPECIAL REPORT: HURRICANE SEASON 2003

FORECASTS SOUND SCARY

But many live in a danger zone and seem strangely unaware of the threat.

INSIDE

Prognosticator William Gray has bad news: The hurricane season beginning today is supposed to be a dangerously busy one. Gray’s predictions are in the 2003 Hurricane Survival Guide, which also offers vital tips that will help you prepare for — and survive — a big storm.



By SEAN MUSSENDE
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PENSACOLA BEACH — Mile after mile of white sand dunes sprawl along the Gulf of Mexico, just east of the hulking high-rises that have attracted hundreds of newcomers to this Panhandle beach town.

As one of few remaining stretches of Florida’s hurricane-prone coast untouched by the population boom, the federally protected dunes represent the past.

The stately new condos next door — and the millions of people they and similar development will bring — are the emerging future of Florida’s 1,200-mile coastline.

On this day, the skies are clear and blue. But only seven summers have passed since

Hurricane Erin smashed this town, delivering a right cross that would be followed two months later with an uppercut from big sister Opal.

“Look at this view,” Sandra Thompson says from a dozen stories up, explaining why the threat of storms has done little to turn away people from coastal living. Thompson is one of them, having traded harsh Chicago winters for a job selling Gulf-front condos 3½ years ago, long after damage from Erin and Opal had vanished.

“Most people are aware of the risk factor,” she said, “but I think most feel pretty good about living near the beach.”

Today, as the 2003 hurricane season opens, more people than ever are living near



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Exposed. If a hurricane comes up the Atlantic Coast, residential communities in Ormond-by-the-Sea would have little protection from the wind and storm surge. Many residents don’t see the danger.

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WEATHER

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HIGH

A chance of afternoon rain as a cold front nears. Low, 69.
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