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—Jim Fisher-Thompson, Office of African Affairs, U.S. Department of State

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—Thom Shanker, New York Times

The Bush administration has emphasized dealmaking with Russia while remaining too quiet about Mr. Putin’s steady retreat from democracy. It should heed [the Russia Task Force] report’s advice about a more balanced approach.”

—New York Times

[Barnett R.] Rubin, the best of a handful of American scholars on Afghanistan before September 11, still knows Afghanistan better than anyone else.

—Ahmed Rashid, New York Review of Books, review of Afghanistan’s Uncertain Transition From Turmoil to Normalcy

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