NATO takes on the Taliban

Afghanistan is going through its bloodiest phase of violence since the ousting of the Taliban government in 2001. Between January and August more than 1,700 Afghan civilians, at least 700 Pakistan-based Taliban insurgents and 96 foreign troops have been killed, mainly in the south

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