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finer understanding of the Taliban world view, Sheikh builds a case for dialogue with an enemy that may choose to lay down arms if its grievances are correctly understood."

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