

these, some are believed to have taken sanctuary inside Afghanistan, with Afghan armed groups that have Muslim fundamentalist leanings, including Mr. Sayyaf's. Police officials in Peshawar said this appeared to have been the pattern with Mr. Yousef.

"He'd stay here for a few days, then disappear into Afghanistan for months, then come back," the official said.

Others are said to have taken refuge in what are known here as the "inaccessible" areas of the frontier, meaning regions where no Pakistani laws apply. But a large number, according to diplomats and police officials, still live in and around Peshawar, using as cover some of the 18 Arab educational and relief organizations that registered with the Pakistani authorities during the Afghan war, among them the Al Dawat University. "Some of these organizations actually do what they are supposed to be doing," one diplomat said, scanning a list of the groups. "But others are just fronts for terrorism."

Another high-ranking diplomat said that Pakistani officials had been aware for years that at Al Dawat and other training centers, youths were being taught that Muslims had a duty to join in an international brotherhood that could avenge the humiliations Muslims are said to have suffered at the hands of the west.

"They are taught that the Islamic renaissance has to be born out of blood, and that only by striking at the West will Islam ever be able to dictate events in the world, as events have been dictated up to now by the West," the diplomat said.

#### A FLOW OF GUERRILLAS TO OTHER CONFLICTS

According to the diplomats, intelligence reports in recent years have suggested that militants trained here have taken part in almost every conflict where Muslims have been involved. The diplomats said Muslims trained here have fought in places including Mindanao, the largest of the Philippine islands, where Mr. Yousef is said to have had links with a Muslim insurgency; the Indian-held portion of the state of Kashmir, where 500,000 Indian troops and police officers are tied down by a Muslim revolt; the former Soviet Republic of Tajikistan; Bosnia; and several countries in North Africa that face Muslim rebellions, including Egypt, Tunisia and Algeria.

Like previous Pakistani Governments, Ms. Bhutto's has responded to Western pressures cautiously, fearing a backlash from powerful Muslim groups within Pakistan.

But many senior Pakistani officials resent Western pressures, saying that the terrorist groups that became established here got their start under politics that the United States and other Western countries eagerly supported, so long as the target was the Soviet Union.

"Don't forget, the whole world opened its arms to these people," one senior official said. "They were welcomed here as fighters for a noble cause, with no questions asked. They came in here by the dozens, and nobody thought to ask them: when the Afghan Jihad is over, are you going to get involved in terrorism in Pakistan? Are you going to bomb the World Trade Center?"

"The Afghan War was a holy war for everybody, including the Americans, and nobody bothered to think beyond it," the official said.

#### MORE ON WELFARE REFORM AND BLOCK GRANTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from

California [Ms. PELOSI] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I wanted to call to the attention of our colleagues H.R. 4. My colleagues who are viewing this from home, our friends who are viewing this from home should read this and weep. This is the Republican welfare proposal. It rewards the rich, cheats children and is weak on work.

But one particular aspect of this proposal is the federal children's nutrition program which I wish to address this evening.

My colleague earlier this evening referenced the fact that the child nutrition programs came into being following World War II, when the military told us that our recruits were malnourished and this took its toll on their physical and mental well-being. Since that time, feeding the hungry has not been a debatable issue in our country. Indeed, President Richard Nixon said, a child ill-fed is dulled in curiosity, lower in stamina and distracted from learning.

This has been our national policy until now. The proposal that the Republicans have placed on the table will take food off the table for America's poor children. And this is why.

You have heard much discussion here this evening about whether the Republican proposal is a cut or is not a cut in what they call the school lunch program. But what we are addressing in this bill is the full federal children's nutrition program. So if we are only talking about school lunch, then you are talking about a situation where the Republicans are saying, we are not cutting school lunch. But what they are cutting are the after-school and summer programs. They are giving the same amount of money and they say with an increase except they are cutting out one very important facet of the children's nutrition program.

In addition to that, they are making this a block grant and not an entitlement. Under the law now, there is a formula for needs-based, a formula that is needs-based for children who are poor. And now the Republican proposal will eliminate that entitlement and call it a block grant instead, which means a definite amount of money will be sent to the states. Why does that create a problem?

For the following reasons: First, in that block grant, there is a reduction of the money for the full children's nutrition program, including school lunch, school-based lunch program, and assistance for after-school and summer programs. These programs are very important to day care, children in day care who have to stay after school because their parents work. And work is the goal that we have for the welfare program. So that undermines that goal there.

Second, in this block grant, it removes eligibility, so you do not have to be poor to be a beneficiary of the Republican proposal, which means that

poor children will get less nutrition because more children can avail themselves of the program. This is supposed to be needs-based.

In addition to that, on the block grant program, it only says that a governor must spend 80 percent of the money that the Federal Government sends to the state. The governor only has to spend 80 percent of the money on the children's nutrition programs.

So already we have had a reduction of 20 percent because that is all the requirement is.

This is why people are concerned about what they hear coming out of Washington, DC. People are not fools. People who have received this benefit because it is necessary for children's nutrition know when they are getting cut. And then to hear semantics used about, well, when I said school lunch program, I did not mean after school or I did not mean summer school. Well, we are talking about the children's nutrition program. Let us refer to it there, and that is being cut. And eligibility is being removed and the requirement to spend all the money is being removed.

This is not even a fight between domestic spending versus defense spending, as is classic in this body, because this came from the military, recognizing the deficiencies and the malnutrition that they saw in our troops coming out of World War II. So this is about the strength of our country.

I did not even really get started. What I want to just say is that what the Republicans are doing is a real cut in the children's nutrition program. The welfare proposal they are proposing should not even contain a nutrition cut. Nutrition has never been part of the welfare program. It rewards the rich because that is what this cut is about, giving a tax break to the wealthiest Americans. It cheats children, and it is weak on work.

I urge my colleagues to oppose the legislation.

#### REPUBLICAN SHELL GAME

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. GENE GREEN] is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material.)

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity to address the House tonight. I want to compliment our speaker on his ability tonight, but also when I heard last week that you were fortunate to have Dave Berry sit in your office just briefly as your press secretary, you are a very brave man, Mr. Speaker.

Let me talk about the welfare bill that we are considering because that has been the topic this evening. The Republican shell game continues with the lives of the children hanging in the