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Mendenhall, Preston. "Afghanistan tests the Taliban." MSNBC. 22 May 2001. Pt 1 of a series, Pariah Nation: A Journey through Afghanistan. 24 Apr. 2003 <<http://www.msnbc.com/news/564807.asp>>.

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