

**Gist of Ex ISI Boss General Khwaja
Ziauddin's Interview to Pakistan's GEO TV
Channel on 2200 Hours 31 October 2010**

Lieutenant General Khwaja Ziauddin (Retired) nominated as army chief and promoted to four star on 12 October 1999 who had



served as Director General Inter Services Intelligence Agency from 1998 to 1999 in an interview with Pakistan's GEO TV made following important revelations concerning the failure of the Clinton Administration to take seriously Pakistani and Taliban desires to be rid of Osama Bin laden:---

1. US was not really serious about apprehending or eliminating Osama Bin Laden in the period 1998-99.
2. The ISI furnished US with a report that Osama could be targeted at a feast being

held at Dasht I Margo in Nimroz but the US CIA declined to take action as UAE Royal family was also in attendance or, at least that was the excuse they gave. Consequently, the Administration of President Clinton's lost a good chance to eliminate Bin Laden.

3. US funded ISI special force had the capability to apprehend Osama Bin Laden in few months had Musharraf's 1999 October coup not taken place after which this special force was disbanded by Musharraf.
4. Musharraf's nominated DG ISI General Mahmud questioned General Zia in 1999 after the coup as to why General Zia was planning to capture Osama Bin Laden and hand him over to USA as it was against Pakistan's national interest.
5. General Ziauddin summed up General Musharraf as a chronic liar .
6. General Ziauddin stated that General Musharraf literally begged Pakistan's Prime Minister, Nawaz Sharif, to go to Washington on 4th July 1999 and request President Clinton to ask the Indian military to agree to a cease fire and give safe passage to

Pakistani troops stranded in Kargil and to request India not to escalate the conflict.

7. The US intelligence point of contact, Major Sheehan, designated to liaison about Osama with ISI used to be dead drunk at most time. This was a powerful indicator of to the Pakistanis that the then current US Administration of President Clinton's lacked seriousness about removing Bin Laden.
8. Amongst other 'back-channel' communications, Mullah Omar, the then foremost leader of Afghanistan, had agreed to a trial of Osama Bin Laden on terrorism charges but the USA showed no interest in pursuing the mechanics of this.