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### SUMMARY

Middle East: Bush Administration determined to halt the violence between Israelis and Palestinians  
Afghanistan: An Australian TIME journalist reports from the battle field of Shah-i-kot  
Zimbabwe: Will the world accept President Mugabe's win in the re-election?  
Euthanasia: A new book takes a fresh look at mercy killing  
Show Business: A sneak preview of the Oscars

### COVER STORY: BUSH ENTERS THE FRAY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

While U.S. President George W. Bush rallies his allies for the next phase of war on terror, his plans are crowded out by the most massive Israeli search-and-destroy operation in 20 years. **Romesh Ratnesar** looks at why the President decided he could no longer afford to stay on the sidelines.

### AFGHANISTAN: THE BATTLE IS NOT YET WON

Traveling with U.S. special forces, Australian TIME journalist **Michael Ware** reports from the battlefield of Shah-i-kot. Even though the death toll of al-Qaeda and Taliban fighters has been high, the battle is far from over.

### ZIMBABWE: FLAWED VICTORY OF PRESIDENT MUGABE

Robert Mugabe wins Zimbabwe's presidential vote. Will the opposition - and the world - accept the result? **Maryann Bird** looks at how his victory is a "flawed" one that has put him on a collision course with his African neighbors and Western nations.

### EUTHANASIA: A NEW LOOK AT MERCY KILLING

**Tom Dusevic** examines the new book, *Angels of Death*, which sheds new light on the role of doctors and other "facilitators" in the murky world of euthanasia.

### SHOW BUSINESS: THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE OSCARS

With Oscars 2002 fast approaching, **Benjamin Nugent** takes a close look at the nominees.

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