

An occasional series highlighting longer reports and features on Afghanistan which we think are worth a read.

Afghan's civic war - attempts to build local governance from the grass roots up.  
<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/20/magazine/20Afghanistan-t.html?th&emc=th>

U.S hopes Afghan councils will weaken Taliban

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/20/world/asia/20nadali.html?th&emc=th>

Royal Marine's death is 300th in Afghanistan - Guardian

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2010/jun/21/royal-marine-300th-british-death-afghanistan>

U.S. bolsters Afghan police to secure Kandahar

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/16/world/asia/16kandahar.html?th&emc=th>

Mineral wealth in Afghanistan excites officials

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/15/world/asia/15afghan.html?th&emc=th>

Afghanistan : raise, hold or fold?

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/video/2009/dec/03/nyrb-rory-stewart>

No change in policy following McChrystal firing

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/24/us/politics/24mcchrysal.html?th&emc=th>

Restrepo : review of documentary movie about Battle Company on the ground in Afghanistan in 2007/8

<http://movies.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/movies/25restrepo.html?th&emc=th>

The men I lost : Retrospective on Korean War - avoid predictability

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/opinion/25Trainor.html?th&emc=th>

Is Pakistan seeking expanded influence in Afghanistan?

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/world/asia/25islamabad.html?th&emc=th>

Reaction to McCrystal sacking

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/world/asia/25military.html?th&emc=th>

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/opinion/25brooks.html?th&emc=th>

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/25/world/asia/25afghan.html?th&emc=th>

Afghan officials elated by prospects for minerals wealth

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/15/world/asia/15afghan.html?th&emc=th>

Claims that US is funding warlords to protect their convoys

<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/06/22/world/asia/22contractors.html?th&emc=th>