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# 前 言

在中国,由于英语作为外语而不是第二语言的特殊语言学习环境和教学方法等诸多因素的影响,听力作为一项基本语言技能一直是我国英语学习者的难点之一。而新闻英语听力由于自身在结构、语法和词汇等方面的特点,更是难点中的难点。提高新闻英语听力不仅可以学习标准的英语发音和英语语法,而且可以了解国际时事政治。《英语听力指南》就是本着这些目的而设计编写的。

本书共有八个单元,分别涉及军事、国内政治、国际政治、经济、法律、体育、灾难和科技等方面的时事新闻,同时书中附有练习参考答案和录音的书面材料。

和国内现有的新闻英语听力教材相比,本书具有以下几个特点:

1. 内容时效性强,所有听力材料均选自 VOA(美国之音)、BBC(英国广播公司)及 CCTV(中国中央电视台)近两年播出的时事新闻。

2. 每个单元都包含特殊英语(Special English)和正常英语(Normal English)两部分,可以纵向和横向使用,方便不同英语水平的学习者。

3. 每个单元都包含中心词汇,即经常出现在同类新闻中的单词,使学习者在收听同类新闻时可以事半功倍。

4. 每单元都设有练习,便于学习者检查自己的理解程度;书中还附有练习参考答案和录音书面材料,便于学习者核对。

本书适合具有高中以上英语水平的英语专业、非英语专业大学生,以及具有同等英语水平、社会各层次的广大英语爱好者。

由于时间仓促和编者水平所限,书中错误和不足之处在所难免,恳请读者提出意见和建议。

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## **Unit One    Military News**

### **Part One    Key Vocabulary**

attack	mortar
calm	offensive
casualty	opposition
ceasefire	rebel
clash	refugee
conflict	truce
defensive	violence
hostage	

### **Part Two    Military News in Special English**

#### **Task A    News Summary 1**

##### **I. Vocabulary**

Chechnya	Muslim
Grozny	Philippines
United Nations	Moro Islamic Liberation Fronts
Palestinian	Afghanistan
Israel	Taliban



West Bank	Northern Alliance
Gaza Strip	Kabul
Yasser Arafat	Indonesia
Ariel Sharon	Christian
East Jerusalem	Malaysia
Jews	Argun
Ingushetia	Chensoloy
Ehud Barak	Cortabarto
Maluku	Ambon

### I. Exercises

1. True or False questions. Write a T in front of each of the following statements if it is true according to the recording and write an F if it is false.
  - 1) (        ) Russia admits that Chechnya rebels fought through Russian blocks and one Russian soldier was killed during the fighting.
  - 2) a. (        ) The number of the dead involved in the Israeli-Palestinian clash is 17.  
b. (        ) Efforts have already been made by the Palestinians and Israel to stop the violence.
  - 3) (        ) The Philippine government said its troops attacked the rebels to seize the position.
  - 4) (        ) The Taliban started the fighting against the Northern Alliance north of the Afghan capital Kabul.
  - 5) (        ) The violence between Muslims and Christians

in Indonesia has lasted 18 months.

- 6) (        ) The gunmen took three people hostage in Malaysia.

2. Fill in the blanks according to what you have heard on the recording.

- 1) Russia sent more \_\_\_\_\_ to the area. A Russian \_\_\_\_\_ source reports that \_\_\_\_\_ fought through Russian \_\_\_\_\_ and entered Chechnya's capital Grozny.
- 2) The \_\_\_\_\_ began after Israeli \_\_\_\_\_ Ariel Sharon visited a place in East Jerusalem that is \_\_\_\_\_ to both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) A \_\_\_\_\_ spokesman said the military was reacting to \_\_\_\_\_ from the rebels. He said the troops had no order to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) The reports said \_\_\_\_\_ and heavy \_\_\_\_\_ were involved in the \_\_\_\_\_. Taliban \_\_\_\_\_ positions held by the opposition forces.
- 5) The \_\_\_\_\_ comes a week after the Indonesian government declared a state of \_\_\_\_\_ in the Maluku. Several \_\_\_\_\_ people have been killed since religious violence began there \_\_\_\_\_ months ago.
- 6) The group killed 2 \_\_\_\_\_ before they \_\_\_\_\_. A 3<sup>rd</sup> hostage is missing. A Malaysian spokesman says more than 20 \_\_\_\_\_ surrendered to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Task B News Summary 2****I. Vocabulary**

settlement	Bangladesh
Bethlehem	Syrian
Colin Powell	Lebanon
Middle East	Hezbollah
Secretary of State	Macedonia
Columbia	ethnic
Revolutionary Armed Forces of Columbia	Albanian
FARC	James Pardew
Red Cross	Skopje
ANTARA	Maluku
Meghalaya	Hebron
Tetovo	Carmonovar

**I. Exercises**

1. Choose the best answer (a, b or c) to complete each of the following statements.
  - 1) \_\_\_\_\_ people have been killed in the fighting between Christians and Muslims in Indonesia.
    - a. 22
    - b. 4,000
    - c. 60
  - 2) What has been suggested by Colin Powell to stop the violence in the Middle East?
    - a. 7 days of calm.

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- b. Withdrawal of Israeli troops from the Palestinian territories.
  - c. To stop building Jewish settlements by Israelis.
- 3) The FARC rebels surrendered the hostages because \_\_\_\_\_.
- a. the hostages were suffering from malaria
  - b. they wanted to strengthen the peace process
  - c. the Red Cross officials asked them to do so
- 4) Who started the conflict along the border between India and Bangladesh?
- a. India.
  - b. Bangladesh.
  - c. An ethnic group in India.
- 5) Which countries were involved in the clash in the Middle East?
- a. Israel and Lebanon.
  - b. Israel and Syria.
  - c. Israel, Syria and Lebanon.
- 6) Diplomats from \_\_\_\_\_ have arrived in Macedonia to stop the fighting.
- a. Europe
  - b. the United States
  - c. both Europe and the United States
2. Fill in the blanks with what you have heard on the recording.

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ forces have appeared \_\_\_\_\_ to stop attacks.  
Since early last year, more than 4,000 people have been \_\_\_\_\_ in the fighting between Christians and Muslims.
- 2) The troops fired \_\_\_\_\_ metal \_\_\_\_\_ and Palestinians say a Palestinian man was \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_ with Israeli soldiers near Bethlehem.
- 3) Many of the \_\_\_\_\_ appear to be suffering from the disease malaria. On Friday, the \_\_\_\_\_ freed more than 240 hostages in an \_\_\_\_\_ strengthen the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4) An Indian \_\_\_\_\_ spokesman says both \_\_\_\_\_ have agreed to return to positions \_\_\_\_\_ before Sunday. That is when about 700 troops from Bangladesh occupied one square kilometer of Indian \_\_\_\_\_ in Meghalaya state. The incident led to \_\_\_\_\_ between \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) Israel says it attacked in \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ fire by Hezbollah guerillas Friday in a \_\_\_\_\_ area. 2 Israeli soldiers were wounded.
- 6) In Macedonia, \_\_\_\_\_ continues between government forces and \_\_\_\_\_ Albanian rebels. A Macedonian army spokesman says there were \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday near the cities of Tetovo and Carmonovar.

**Task C****I. Vocabulary**

airforce	Amsterdam
container	Afghanistan
airplane	Iraq
humanitarian	Bosnia
ration	Rwanda
aid	Haiti
terrorist	Bush
intelligence	Defense Department
civilian	Kandahar
severe	

**II. Exercises**

1. Answer the following questions according to what you have heard on the recording.
  - 1) Where did the American airforce transport planes take off?
  - 2) What is the yellow container called?
  - 3) How much does the aid program for Afghanistan cost?  
Why are the Afghan people in danger of starving?
  - 4) What are the different opinions about the American aid program?

- 5) What happened to the United Nations storehouses of food?

### **Part Three    Military News in Normal English**

#### **Task A    News Summary 1**

##### **I. Vocabulary**

resume	Serbian
ethnic	Kumanovo
militant	NATO
lull	George Robertson
condemn	Stephen Boosher
guerilla	Gjordji Trendafilov
cowardly	Vaksince
shield	Boris Trajkovski
allegation	capture
cooperation	Adam Deniyev
diplomat	breakaway
Moscow	deputy
administrator	Dakar
reaction	Shieba Arkman
appoint	Sri Lanka
target	Jaffna
erupt	Tiger Tamil rebels
unilateral	Columbia
overnight	United Self-defense Forces

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paramilitary	gruesome
massacre	Bamyan
Macedonia	Yakavlang
Albanian	

### I. Exercises

1. True or False questions. Write a T in front of each of the following statements if it is true according to the recording and write an F if it is false.
- 1) a. (        ) There are international peace-keeping forces stationed in Macedonia.  
b. (        ) Efforts have been made to protect civilians from attacks.
- 2) (        ) Adam Deniyev was not the first Russian administrator attacked or killed by Chechnya rebels.
- 3) (        ) The two bomb blasts in Dakar occurred while a crowd of people were celebrating the new year.
- 4) (        ) The Sri Lanka government and Tiger Tamil rebels have different reports on both sides' casualties resulting from a latest crossfire.
- 5) (        ) The gunmen were captured because they were involved in a brutal massacre of Columbian villagers.
- 6) (        ) The town of Yakavlang seized by the Taliban is the grounds lost by opposition forces Thursday.
2. Fill in the blanks with what you have heard on the



recording.

- 1) Macedonian army units resumed an \_\_\_\_\_ against ethnic Albanian \_\_\_\_\_ near the Serbian border after a brief \_\_\_\_\_ in the fighting. Government officials say \_\_\_\_\_ of rebel \_\_\_\_\_ began again after a brief interruption Friday to allow \_\_\_\_\_ to leave \_\_\_\_\_ villages in the north-eastern Kumanovo area.
- 2) A cameraman \_\_\_\_\_ the interview was injured in the \_\_\_\_\_. Russia \_\_\_\_\_ Chechnya \_\_\_\_\_ for the attack, but there has been no \_\_\_\_\_ from the Chechnya fighters who have \_\_\_\_\_ senior Chechnya officials \_\_\_\_\_ by Moscow in the past.
- 3) A bomb \_\_\_\_\_ during the Bengali New Year \_\_\_\_\_ in the Bangladesh's capital Dakar has \_\_\_\_\_ at least 8 people and \_\_\_\_\_ a number of others. Police say the \_\_\_\_\_ occurred early Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ a crowd listening to a \_\_\_\_\_ group singing \_\_\_\_\_ holiday songs.
- 4) Their conflicting \_\_\_\_\_ report with the government saying a latest \_\_\_\_\_ brought the rebel \_\_\_\_\_ to 180 and with government \_\_\_\_\_ reported at more than one hundred. Tamil Tiger \_\_\_\_\_ say only 33 rebels died, while more than 300 soldiers were killed and 1,200 were \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) The Columbian army says it has \_\_\_\_\_ several dozen \_\_\_\_\_ gunmen who carried out a gruesome \_\_\_\_\_ of villagers last month.