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(19 January 1999) Strains surface between Taliban and Bin Ladin

Usama Bin Ladin's public call late last month for violence against Americans has prompted Taliban [REDACTED] to accuse Bin Ladin of breaking his promise not to support terrorist activities while on Afghan soil, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

- [REDACTED] had asked Bin Ladin to renounce terrorism publicly, but Bin Ladin instead called for more attacks.

Bin Ladin's presence has caused fissures between senior Taliban officials, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] last month went to [REDACTED]
after an argument with [REDACTED] over whether to continue to give Bin Ladin safehaven,
[REDACTED]

- [REDACTED] frustration with Bin Ladin could lead to a rapprochement with [REDACTED] and to greater restrictions on Bin Ladin's activities.

[REDACTED] previously has expressed dissatisfaction with Bin Ladin's high visibility, but the Taliban to date has given no indication it plans to expel the terrorist financier.

- [REDACTED] Bin Ladin is offering to send a [REDACTED] unit to fight alongside the Taliban against opposition forces, possibly to demonstrate to [REDACTED] his continued utility to the Taliban.

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