

## How the US raid

As a mother of young children,  
Saturday

Last

woken

she was

in Barawe, Somalia,

on the Islamist militant group  
to retreat,

and media reports,

of the daring pre-dawn raid –

of about 200,000 people

Abdulkadir

terrorist plots.

be used by

to Somalia

there was not news to Sheikh.

she said.

that so important a person

Early morning

except when

I had no feeling or thought of

and heard one

another explosion

in a speedboat

20 Seals,

in those chilly

"I was wrapping my turban on my neck and head

When I had nearly entered it,  
what looked like three big cows

– that is, occurred  
between al-Shabaab fighters in the house and the US forces.  
in the night  
going in the direction

according to  
which continued:

The fighter played it cool, had  
shooting,  
had been lost and al-Shabaab's fighters unleashed gunfire  
and grenades

continued on

stormed the house and began  
were staying  
where one

"The Americans tried to enter  
the big fish  
and then the situation deteriorated

several Seals could see  
according to al-Shabaab,

While Pentagon officials  
US forces retreated from

that the compound

The commandos having suffered and  
all the gunfire stopped.

When it became safe enough

were not talking to the people.

for an al-Shabaab member

in the town.

members  
– one of them foreign  
not being found."

Sheikh

continued:

they were vowing

the residents

US forces.

jacket.

blood scattered on the ground.

which we suspect

In the aftermath

to patrol the streets of Barawe,

There was also

who helped

A man who frequently

used

on Sunday

Barawe is about from Mogadishu.

forces have

To the east is

the Ambaresa

can say no,

confidence in its  
defences but also give that the world's most powerful  
doorstep.

spokesman Sheikh Abiasis Abu Mus'ab said:

off guard.

once. cowardly attacks attack us at  
Daveed Gartenstein-Ross, at the Foundation  
for the Defence of Democracies,

something like a foreign raid

reported been  
operational security in  
they repulsed

Chuck Hagel,  
demonstrated the  
of US counter-terrorism.  
the world

where they hide

Hagel said.