

ABC News Recognized with Five Edward R. Murrow Awards – More Than Any Other Network THIS YEAR

ABC News and ABC News Radio Honored for Breaking News and Continued News Coverage

“ABC World News” Wins in Hard News Category for Reports on the Famine in Somalia

It was announced today that ABC News is being honored by the Radio Television Digital News Association (RTDNA) with five Edward R. Murrow Awards, more than the network competition this year, for its reporting across both television and radio platforms. ABC News will be recognized in the following categories:

Video: Breaking News – “Target bin Laden: The Death of Public Enemy #1”

On Sunday May 1 word came from the White House that President Obama would be making a rare, surprise address to the nation later that night. Then news came that the speech was related to Osama bin Laden – a man at the center of one of the largest, most costly manhunts in U.S. history. After years of preparation, ABC News provided viewers with a big picture understanding of this global news event across all its broadcasts and platforms, including a special edition of “Good Morning America” anchored by Diane Sawyer, Robin Roberts and George Stephanopoulos, a special one-hour edition of “World News with Diane Sawyer,” and on “Nightline.” In addition, ABC News was the first network to bring viewers inside bin Laden’s secret compound with a world exclusive report from ABC’s Nick Schifrin.

Video: Continuing Coverage – Gabby Giffords She was a young congresswoman from Arizona who had found true love with astronaut Mark Kelly and had a bright future in Washington. Then on January 8 a gunman stepped up to Rep. Gabby Giffords at a Tucson supermarket and opened fire, killing 6 and wounding 19. ABC News aired four special reports that Saturday afternoon, beginning nearly a full year of reporting on Rep. Giffords’ story of strength, hope and astounding resilience. ABC’s coverage culminated in November when Gabby and Mark sat down with Diane Sawyer for a riveting “20/20” exclusive that included never-before-seen video taken over her nine months of recovery.

Video: Reporting Hard News – “A Cry For Help: Famine in Somalia”

In July 2011 “World News with Diane Sawyer” became the first evening newscast to report from inside the worst humanitarian crisis in a generation. “World News” weekend anchor David Muir traveled to the frontlines of the crisis in Mogadishu, Somalia where he reported on the estimated 1,500 refugees making the perilous 50 mile journey from Somalia to the Dadaab refugee camp in Kenya – walking in the blistering heat each day with the hope of escaping the devastating famine and drought. When the second wave of the disaster hit Somalia in September, Muir returned to the region to report on the deadly measles epidemic facing those in the crisis zone.

Audio: Breaking News – The Death of Osama bin Laden ABC News Radio was already on the air with special coverage of a surprise Presidential news conference when confirmation came that Osama bin Laden had been killed in Pakistan. With the full resources of ABC News, ABC News Radio captured every development and detail -- from the minute-by-minute account of the Navy Seals’ daring raid to the impromptu celebrations occurring that night at the White House and Ground Zero.

Audio: Continuing Coverage – The Arab Spring From the first gathering of protestors in Egypt’s Tahrir Square to Moammar Gadhafi’s final hours in Libya, ABC News correspondents were in the middle of the fast-moving events that came to be known as the Arab Spring. ABC News correspondents spent days with the demonstrators in Tahrir Square, some getting shoved and tear-gassed. They raced from the

border of Tripoli with rebel fighters during their months-long campaign to oust Moammar Gadhafi. ABC News Radio also brought its listeners the first interviews with the men at the center of the uprisings as Christiane Amanpour spoke exclusively to Egypt's Hosni Mubarak and Libya's Moammar Gadhafi.

A full list of recipients can be found [here](#).