For Consideration for Category I:  
The Money Trail

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Lou Dobbs Moneyline
Lou Dobbs: Anchor
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Bill Dorman: Executive Producer
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Since the events of September 11th, Lou Dobbs Moneyline has led the pack on reporting of the terrorist Money Trail. In more than twenty segments, CNN Financial News Senior Correspondent Allan Dodds Frank has detailed Osama bin Laden's finances and the various methods his al Qaeda network have used to move money. Almost without exception, the stories were the first on the air to detail various aspects of the Money Trail.

The stories range from investigative pieces to day-of-air breaking news. They cover bin Laden's finances, the financing of the Sept. 11th attackers, the underground currency transport network known as Hawala, possible stock short selling, the Taliban's connections to the drug trade, smuggling of precious gems, the use of charitable organizations to raise funds and the role of Saudi Arabia. Mr. Frank also did the only interview by the Western broadcast media with Yasin al Qadi, a Saudi businessman, whose assets have been blocked by the various governments, including the United States and Great Britain.