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PAST LECTURERS

Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force and Chief of Staff of the Air Force on Values and Vision, "Religion in the Military," Nov. 11, 2005

Hon. Bisera Turkovic, Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United States, "Bosnia and Herzegovina: The Religious and Political Landscape Today," Nov. 10, 2005

Dr. Nickolas K. Gvosdev, Editor, *The National Interest*, and Senior Fellow for Strategic Studies, The Nixon Center, "The Rise and Fall of Radical Political Islam," Oct. 27, 2005

His Majesty King Abdullah II, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, "Traditional Islam: The Path to Peace," Sept. 13, 2005

Menachem Kellner, 2005 Scholar-in-Residence, The Foundation for Jewish Studies, "The Philosophical Underpinnings of Maimonides Legal Writings," Sept. 7, 2005

Hon. Imad Moustapha, Ambassador of Syria to the United States, "Syria: A Historic, Cultural and Political Perspective," May 11, 2005

Mary Shivanandan, S.T.D., Professor of Theology, John Paul II Institute for Studies in Marriage and Family, "Modesty in the Abrahamic Religions," April 29, 2005

Theodore Cardinal McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington, D.C. and Chancellor of The Catholic University of America, **Rabbi Jack Bemporad**, **Rev. Norbert Hofman**, and **Dr. Ellis Rivkin**, "The Abrahamic Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran," April 28, 2005

Dr. Hadi Semati, Associate Professor of Political Science on the Faculty of Law and Political Science, University of Tehran, Iran and Public Policy Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center and **Trita Parsi** Middle East specialist, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, "Nuclear Iran?" March 23, 2005

William Cardinal Keeler, Archbishop of Baltimore, "Finding the Place for the Other: The Future of Jewish-Christian Dialogue," March 10, 2005;

Karim Khutar Almusawi, Washington Representative of The Supreme Council for Islamic Revolution in Iraq (SCIRI), "A Religious View of the Iraqi Elections," Feb. 22, 2005

Archbishop Ramzi D. Yousif Garmou, Grand Archbishop of Assyrians & Chaldeans in Tehran, "Christianity in Iran: Past and Present, A Christian Voice from the Islamic Republic of Iran," Feb. 4, 2005

Dr. Abdulkarim Soroush, "Islam and the Concept of Secularity," May 10, 2004



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**“The Religious Aspects of
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Nathan Brown, Ph.D.

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Leading expert on Arab constitutions, Nathan Brown, on leave from his position as professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University, is a distinguished scholar and author of four well-received books on Arab politics. Dr. Brown brings his special expertise on Palestinian reform and Arab constitutionalism to the Endowment and his research interests also include Egyptian and Palestinian politics, legal reform in the modern Middle East, as well as democratization. Dr. Brown's most recent book, *Resuming Arab Palestine*, presents research on Palestinian society and governance after the establishment of the Palestinian Authority.

Dr. Brown was previously a scholar in residence at the Middle East Institute. He has recently been a member of the international advisory committee on drafting the Palestinian constitution and consultant to the UNDP's program on governance in the Arab world.

Selected Publications: *Resuming Arab Palestine*, (University of California Press, 2003), *Constitutions in a Non-Constitutional World: Arab Basic Laws and Prospects for Accountable Government*, (SUNY Press, 2001), *The Rule of Law in the Arab World: Courts in Egypt and the Arab States of the Gulf* (Cambridge University Press, 1997)

Introduction

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