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Afghanistan The Australian and Canadian Experience Compared

April 10, 2012 - Hart House, University of Toronto

8:30-8:45AM	Registration and Coffee
8:45-9:00	Welcoming Remarks - Professor Derek Allen, Acting Provost, Trinity College - Professor Janice Stein, Director, Munk School of Global Affairs - Brigadier-General Craig Hilton, Canadian Forces College
9:00-9:15	Opening Remarks - Professor John English, University of Toronto/Centre for the Study of Contemporary International History (CCIH) - Professor William Maley, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy
9:15-10:45	 Diplomatic Perspectives on Afghanistan Discussion Chair: Professor Margaret MacMillan, Oxford University Speakers: Chris Alexander MP, Former Canadian Ambassador to Afghanistan and UN Special Representative to Afghanistan Ric Smith, Australian Special Envoy to Afghanistan and Pakistan, "Current Australian Approaches to Afghanistan"
10:45-11:00	Coffee

11:00AM-12:30PM	 The Politics of Afghanistan Discussion Chair: Professor Roland Paris, University of Ottawa Commentator: Gregory Collins, University of Ottawa and Australian National University Speakers: William Maley, Australian National University, "Australian Politics, Global Relations and the Commitment to Afghanistan" Janice Stein, "The Canadian Politics of Afghanistan"
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-3:00	 Military Perspectives on Afghanistan Discussion Chair: Eugene Lang, former Chief of Staff to the Minister of National Defence, Canada Speakers: Major-General Jonathan Vance, Canadian Forces Major-General Michael G. Smith, "Civil-Military Relations: Lessons from the Australian Experience in Afghanistan"
3:00-4:30	 Economic Perspectives on Afghanistan Discussion Chair: Professor Robert Bothwell, University of Toronto & Trinity College Discussion Commentator: Professor Joe Martin, Rotman School, University of Toronto Speakers: Professor Craig Stone, Canadian Forces College, "The Cost of Afghanistan" Professor Peter Hall, University of New South Wales, "The Cost of Afghanistan"
5:00-6:00	Reception at Hart House
6:00-7:30	Dinner at Hart House Gallery Grill
7:30 onwards	*location change - George Ignatieff Theatre, Trinity College The View from the Cabinet Table: A Conversation - Discussion Chair and Commentator: Professor Ramesh Thakur, Australian National University Speakers: - The Honourable Bill Graham, Chancellor Trinity College, Former Defence and Foreign Minister of Canada - Dr. Jack Cunningham, CCIH

April 11, 2012 - George Ignatieff Theatre, Trinity College

9:30-11:00AM **Afghan Perspectives:**

Discussion Chair: Mokhtar Lamani, Former Arab League and Organization of Islamic States Ambassador to the United Nations Speakers:

- Omar Samad, Former Afghan Ambassador to Canada and France
- Professor Susanne Schmeidl, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, "Perspectives of Afghans on Australia and the ISAF"
- Dr. Amin Saikal, Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, Australian National University, "Afghanistan and Its Regions"

11:00-11:15 Coffee

11:15AM-12:15PM "The Obsequies of War," A Comparison

Discussion Chair: Professor Adam Chapnick, Canadian Forces

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Discussion Commentator: Professor Jonathan Vance, Western

University Speaker:

- Professor Kim Richard Nossal, Queen's University

12:15-1:15 Lunch

1:15-2:45 The War in Retrospect

Discussion Chair: Brian Stewart, CBC and Munk School of Global Affairs

Speakers:

- Ramesh Thakur, Australian National University, "With the Benefit of Hindsight"
- Professor David Bercuson, University of Calgary, "With the Benefit of Hindsight
- Dr. Raspal Khosa, Asian Strategic Policy Institute, "Australia's Experience in Afghanistan: An Overview"

2:45-4:00 The Impact of Afghanistan

Discussion Chair: Professor Michael Ignatieff, Munk School of Global Affairs

Speakers:

- Janice Stein
- Dr. David Malone, President of the International Development Research Centre
- Ric Smith
- Major-General Michael Smith