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CSIS Congressional Forum on Islam

Presents:

“Jihad in Modern Islam”

With

Prof. Aron Zysow

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Disagreements about the nature of jihad have combined with twenty-first century technology to spread this religious debate far beyond traditional centers of power and learning. Dr. Aron Zysow, a leading expert on Islamic law, will explore the legal framework of jihad and how it has evolved in recent decades.

Monday, February 26, 2007

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Room: SC-6

Lunch will be provided

Moderated by

Jon B. Alterman

Director, CSIS Middle East Program

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Aron Zysow is a member of the School of Historical Studies at the Institute for Advanced Study. He is the author of *The Economy of Certainty: An Introduction to the Typology of Islamic Legal Theory*, and he has published numerous articles in journals including the *Harvard International Review*, the *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, the *Encyclopaedia of Islam*, and the *International Journal of Middle East Studies*. Previously, he was a visiting researcher at the Islamic Legal Studies Program at Harvard Law School. Dr. Zysow holds a J.D. from Harvard Law School and a Ph.D. from Harvard University.

Jon B. Alterman is director of the CSIS Middle East Program. Prior to joining CSIS, he served as a member of the Policy Planning Staff at the U.S. Department of State and as a special assistant to the assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs. He has lectured in more than 20 countries on subjects related to the Middle East and U.S. policy toward the region and he is a frequent commentator in print, on radio, and on television.

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