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My nephew Patrick was severely wounded in Iraq. He had a visit from President Bush at Walter Reed Hospital, a Purple Heart from Governor Perry, but has to this date received no benefits for 18 months... [L]etter after letter [to the VA] does not solve the problem. President Bush can use any numbers describing the wounded or the costs, but nothing is going to solve the problem if no one is paying attention or cares.

~Kathleen Kriesbaum, Sugarland, Texas  
(writing to Linda Bilmes)

## EPS News



*You are cordially invited to a benefit for EPS*

*Friday, November 2*

*An evening with Linda Bilmes  
at the Manhattan home of Alan Harper*

*Ms. Bilmes will give an informal talk on*

*[The Battle of Iraq's Wounded](#)  
[The Long-term Costs of Providing Veterans Medical Care and Disability Benefits](#)*

*Requested donation for this event, including wine and hors d'oeuvres, is \$250. Please email Thea Harvey ([theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org)) if you would like to attend.*



The ASSA/AEA (Allied Social Science Associations/American Economics Association) meetings will be in New Orleans, January 4 - 6, 2008. EPS is organizing three sessions this year:

- Friday, January 4 at 10:15am - **The Plight of the Soldier**, chaired by Thea Harvey, EPS Executive Director
  - *The All-volunteer Force and the Long War: When and How should we Reinstitute Conscription?* Lawrence Korb, Center for American Progress
  - *The American Soldier: Carrying the Entire Load for the Bush Administration?* Major General Paul Eaton, United States Army (retired)

- *The Effect of Activation on the Post-Activation Earnings of Reservists.* David Loughran, RAND Corporation and Jacob Klerman, Abt Associates
- *Veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan: Impediments to Securing Disability Benefits and Medical Care.* Linda Bilmes, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
- Friday, January 4 at 2:30pm - **A Roundtable on Climate Change, Hurricane Katrina and Related Issues**, chaired by James Galbraith, EPS Chair
  - Paul Krugman, Princeton University
  - Joseph Stiglitz, Columbia University
  - Howard Kunreuther, University of Pennsylvania
  - Marcellus Andrews, Medgar Evers College, City University of New York
- Saturday, January 5 at 2:30pm - **The Future of the Defense Budget**, chaired by Michael Lind, New America Foundation
  - *Five Years of War: Reassessing the Economic Cost of Conflict in Iraq.* Joseph Stiglitz, Columbia University and Linda Bilmes, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
  - *A Cost/Benefit Analysis of Large Military Budgets.* Barbara Bergmann, American University
  - *Weapons Systems that Don't Work for Threats that Don't Exist.* Winslow Wheeler, Strauss Military Reform Project, Center for Defense Information
  - *The Next Peace Dividend.* Richard Kaufman, Bethesda Research Institute

In addition, we will hold our usual events:

- Table in the Exhibit Hall. Come see us at Booth #439 - right next to the coffee area.
- Saturday, January 5 at 5:30pm - **Annual Membership Meeting**. All are welcome to come and hear the annual report.
- Saturday, January 5 at 6:30pm - **Annual Dinner**, in honor of Paul Krugman.
- Sunday, January 6 at 10:00am - **Annual Fellows Meeting**.

Watch this space for locations and more information as the time nears.



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The book is available from the publishers, LIT Verlag, for €24.90 at <http://www.lit-verlag.de/isbn/3-8258-0045-1>.



One of the benefits of membership in EPS is a 25% **discounted subscription to the Economics of Peace and Security Journal**. Regular one-year subscriptions are \$40 per year; for EPS members the one-year subscription is \$30.

The Journal is a peer-reviewed online publication hosted by EPS-UK. Published twice yearly, it raises and debates all issues related to the political economy of personal, communal, national, international, and global peace and security. Past contributors have included Joseph Stiglitz, James Galbraith, and Lawrence Klein. The Journal's website also includes book reviews submitted by members and subscribers.

For more information or to subscribe to the Journal, please visit: <http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/>

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☐ A new United Nations Internet site, "**Gateway to the UN System's Work on Climate Change**," has been launched, highlighting the wide-ranging work on climate change by the various parts of the United Nations system . The new website makes it easier for Internet users to find information on climate change from across the United Nations system. <http://www.un.org/climatechange/>

☐ **The Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO)** has launched two new areas on its public website containing information on the declared nuclear test by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) on October 9, 2006.

A dedicated area on the CTBTO's website presents CTBTO's findings in connection with the reported nuclear test. In articles first published in the CTBTO newsletter *Spectrum*, experts of the CTBTO International Data Center (IDC) present the technical findings following the announced nuclear test, based on observations by the International Monitoring System (IMS). The web site area also includes materials such as Security Council Resolution 1718, statements by the then Secretary-General of the United Nations, Kofi Annan, and statements by the Chairperson and the Secretary of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission. A selection of analytical news articles will be made available as well.

The web site now also presents an updated version of the movie "CTBT: For a Safer and More Secure World." The movie covers the event in the DPRK on October 9, 2006 with information on observations and analysis made by the CTBTO. It also contains a statement by the new Secretary-General of the United Nations, Ban Ki-moon.

The movie and the dedicated DPRK area are available on the homepage of the CTBTO web site [www.ctbto.org](http://www.ctbto.org).

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## In Other News

☐ In an excerpt from her controversial new book, "The Shock Doctrine," Naomi Klein explains **how the US set about to destroy the Iraqi national psyche and then push through a disastrous privatization of its economy.**

"Peter McPherson, the senior economic adviser to Paul Bremer, had the job of radically downsizing the state and privatizing its assets in the early days of the Iraq invasion. He explains one reason why the looting which took place in those early days wasn't heavily policed: 'I thought the privatization that occurs sort of naturally when somebody took over their state vehicle, or began to drive a truck that the state used to own, was just fine.' He said the pillage was a form of public-sector 'shrinkage.' "

<http://www.alternet.org/waroniraq/62525/?page=1>

☐ In a recent piece, Winslow T. Wheeler asks: **The Afghan War: Which Side Is DOD On?** . . . "Telling us how many dollars have been spent on the war in Afghanistan is fundamental to the Department of Defense's (DOD) effort to garner public and congressional support for prosecution of the war. It should also be a simple question. It is not." In this article, Mr. Wheeler explains that the Department of Defense testified to Congress on July 31, 2007 that the war in Afghanistan had cost \$78.1 billion. But this number is laughably inaccurate. Read the article at [http://www.cdi.org/program/document.cfm?DocumentID=4072&StartRow=1&ListRows=10&appendURL=&Orderby=D.DateLastUpdated&ProgramID=37&from\\_page=index.cfm](http://www.cdi.org/program/document.cfm?DocumentID=4072&StartRow=1&ListRows=10&appendURL=&Orderby=D.DateLastUpdated&ProgramID=37&from_page=index.cfm)

☐ **Innovation and education needed to head off water war in Burkina Faso.** Running his finger over a map of Burkina Faso, stabbing at a dozen vowel-laden names of towns and villages, Abdramane Sow traces out what senior international officials are warning could be the frontline in Africa's next major war. These are all places where local communities have come to blows over who will use the available water.

In one village close to the border with Nigeria, women with fistulas were stopped from using water points because it was thought they would spread infection. In another village in the far north of the country, deep inside the desert, access to water points is being limited according to peoples' religion. On the outskirts of the country's second city Bobo Dioulasso, agriculturalists, animal herders, a local village and the state water company were at loggerheads recently over access to a reservoir.

"Mostly, these are not major conflicts yet," explained Sow, a researcher working on water conflicts at the University of Ouagadougou's Center for Economic and Social Studies who has mapped out the underlying dynamics behind local squabbles over water all over the country. "The worst fights seem to happen not where there is no water, but where it exists, as people can't agree on how to share among them."

<http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=74308>

The Geneva Office for Disarmament Affairs **inaugurated the Biological Weapons Convention Implementation Support Unit** to assist States parties in their efforts to strengthen the implementation of the Convention and reduce the threat posed by biological weapons. The decision was a landmark in the history of the international community's efforts against biological weapons, as the Convention itself has no provision for institutional support. The launch coincided with the opening of the 2007 Biological Weapons Convention Meeting of Experts, the first part of a work program commissioned by the Sixth Review Conference to further strengthen the implementation of the treaty.

For further information, please contact Richard Lennane, Head, Biological Weapons Convention Implementation Support Unit, tel.: +41 0 22 917 22 30; e-mail: [rlennane@unog.ch](mailto:rlennane@unog.ch).

**Transcend Peace University**, the world's first global online center for peace studies, announces the Fall Semester 2007 (October 1 - December 21). The university offers 21 online courses. Applications will be accepted until September 21.

Fees are 200 Euro per course for citizens of non-OECD countries; 400 Euro per course for citizens of OECD countries and IGO staff. More information at <http://tpu.transcend.org> or contact them by email at [tpu@transcend.org](mailto:tpu@transcend.org) or phone +40 264 420298 (Romania).

**Rebels warn of "total war" if EU force is not neutral in Chadian intervention.** A leader of one of the rebel groups in eastern Chad warned a proposed European Union (EU) force that it will be a target if it takes sides in the country's civil war. "If they come simply to protect the Darfur refugees in eastern Chad then we have no problem with that," Albissaty Saleh Allazan, the leader of a Chadian rebel group Conseil d'Action Révolutionnaire told IRIN on September 14 after a press conference in Dakar, Senegal. "But if they end up interposing themselves between us and N'djemena [Chad's capital] then we will fight them."

<http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=74310>

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## Funding and Employment Opportunities

**The European Science Foundation** promotes high quality science at a European level. It acts as a catalyst for the development of science by bringing together leading scientists and funding agencies to debate, plan, and implement pan-European initiatives. Areas of interest include life, environmental, and earth sciences, social sciences, medical research, physical sciences, humanities, marine science, polar science, and space science. <http://www.esf.org/home.html>

**The Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship** is a program established to provide college graduates with the opportunity to gain a Washington perspective on issues related to peace and security. Spend six to nine months working full-time on research and/or advocacy on a range of issues concerning security, including disarmament, nuclear and conventional arms control, environmental security, peacekeeping, and the military budget. More information is available at <http://www.scoville.org> Benefits include a \$2,100 monthly stipend, travel expenses to Washington, DC, and health insurance.

**Application Deadline:** October 15, 2007 for the Spring 2008 Fellowship (begins between January 15 and April 1, 2008)

**The 2007 Routledge-GCP&S Essay Prize.** Global Change, Peace & Security (<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/14781158.asp>) is a scholarly journal that has, for nearly twenty years, addressed the difficult practical and theoretical questions posed by a rapidly globalizing world. It is committed to promoting research

that explores the relationships between states, economies, cultures and societies. Global Change, Peace and Security is a peer-reviewed journal published by Routledge (UK) and based at La Trobe University, Victoria, Australia.

GCP&S invites entries for the inaugural Routledge-GCP&S Essay Competition. This competition is designed to encourage outstanding new contributions to research on practical and theoretical questions posed by a rapidly globalizing world. It seeks to attract new research into the international dimensions of political, economic and cultural life, and into the contradictions of an increasingly integrated yet fragmented world. Of specific interest are entries that look at events and developments that reverberate beyond the confines of a particular country, and those that are concerned with the sources and consequences of conflict, violence and insecurity, as well as the conditions and prospects for conflict transformation and peace-building.

The winning essay will be refereed with a view to publication in Global Change, Peace and Security. The author will receive the Routledge-GCP&S Competition winner's certificate as well as US\$500 prize money.

The competition is open to those enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate degree, or who have graduated within the previous four years. Previously published research articles, or those that are being considered for publication, will not be acceptable. Essays currently being assessed as part of a degree will also not be accepted.

Essays must be between 6000-8000 words in length. The style must conform strictly to the guidelines set out on the journal's website and be accompanied by the author's name, their contact details, and details of their institutional affiliation if applicable. For guidelines refer to <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/authors/cparauth.asp>. Please send entries (in English and as email attachments only) to [gcps@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:gcps@latrobe.edu.au) by no later than **Friday, November 9, 2007**.

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The Jerusalem 2050 Project at MIT is pleased to announce the launch of the Just Jerusalem Competition (<http://www.justjerusalem.org>). Co-sponsored by the Department of Urban Studies and Planning and the Center for International Studies at MIT, the Competition's goal is to generate new approaches to, and potential solutions for, the many complex, seemingly intractable problems that the residents of Jerusalem face on a daily basis.

By looking at future possibilities for a pluralist, just and sustainable city shared by all its residents, they hope to encourage new ways of thinking about the many difficult issues and hardships faced by Jerusalemites, regardless of their faith or ethnicity. Submissions will be considered in a number of disciplinary categories, and from individuals or teams anywhere in the world

At least one prizewinning entry will be selected in each category of submission, with a total of 5 awarded. Prizewinners will be given the opportunity to spend up to an academic semester in residence at MIT as Visiting Fellows, with all expenses paid, including travel, housing, and stipend. In the case of team submissions, no more than three individuals per winning entry will be hosted as fellows.

Guidelines for submission and more information is at <http://www.justjerusalem.org/>. Deadline for entries is December 31, 2007.

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## EPS Publications and Resources



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Issues of the journal generally are theme-based and contributions are by invitation only; however, readers are invited to write to the editors ([editors@epsjournal.org.uk](mailto:editors@epsjournal.org.uk)) with proposals for a specific contribution or theme-based symposium (2 - 4 papers). Short letters of less than 500 words commenting on the published pieces are welcome.

The first issue is based on the ECAAR Review 2003, "Conflict or Development" (<http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/Vol1/No1/issue.php>). Volume 1, No. 2 is entitled "Peacemaking and Peacekeeping." These two issues are available free of charge as an introduction to the journal.

Annual subscription rates for future issues are as follows:

- Standard £22/\$40/€34;
- EPS members £16/\$30/€25;
- Unwaged/Developing countries £11/\$20/€17;
- Institutional £55/\$100/€85.

The EPS conference, *War and Poverty, Peace and Prosperity*, which took place at our home at the Levy Institute May 30 - June 1, was a great success. The conference was attended by over 50 participants. Photographs of the conference are now posted on the website, and transcripts of the sessions will be posted as they become available.

Please visit <http://www.epsusa.org/events/07conf/program.htm> to review the conference and follow the updates.

*Are We Safer? Five Years After the September 11th Attacks: Assessing the US Security Situation and Alternatives for Moving Forward. An Anthology of National Security Essays - September 2006*, published by the Security Policy Working Group.

- *Pyrrhus on the Potomac: How America's Post-9/11 Wars Have Undermined US National Security*. Carl Conetta, Project on Defense Alternatives <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Pyrrhus%20On%20The%20Potomac.pdf>
- *Terrorism or All-Hazards? Broadening Homeland Security*. Anita Dancs, National Priorities Project <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Terrorism%20Or%20All-Hazards.pdf>
- *America's Post 9/11 Military: Can Congress Reform Our Shrinking, Aging, Less Ready, More Expensive Forces?* Winslow T. Wheeler, Center for Defense Information <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Post%209-11%20Military.pdf>
- *Funding for Defense, Military Operations, Homeland Security, and Related Activities Since 9/11*. Steven Kosiak, Center for Strategic & Budgetary Assessments <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Funding%20For%20Defense,%20Military%20Operations.pdf>
- *National Security Budgets to Make America Safer*. Cindy Williams, MIT Security Studies Program <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/National%20Security%20Budgets%20To%20Make%20America%20Safer.pdf>
- *Fighting the "Good Fight": An Alternative to Current Democratic Proposals For a New National Security Strategy*. William D. Hartung, World Policy Institute, Arms Trade Resource Center <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Fighting%20The%20Good%20Fight.pdf>

- *Is the War on Terror "Worth it?"* David Gold, New School University  
<http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Is%20The%20War%20On%20Terror%20Worth%20It.pdf>
- *Special Threat: US Nuclear Weapons Policy under the Bush Doctrine.* Michael D. Intriligator, Economists for Peace & Security <http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Special%20Threat.pdf>
- *Terrorism in Context: Assessing Risks and Solutions.* David Colt, Economists for Peace & Security  
<http://www.proteusfund.org/spwg/pdfs/Terrorism%20In%20The%20Context%20of%20Other%20Threats.pdf>



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*Global Arms Trade 2004* examines the world's supplies of conventional weapons and small arms.

<http://www.epsusa.org/publications/factsheets/globalarmstrade.pdf>

*Military vs. Social Spending: Warfare or Human Welfare* compares US and global military spending with the costs of achieving the UN Millennium Development Goals. <http://www.epsusa.org/publications/factsheets/milexMDG.pdf>



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**The Full Cost of Ballistic Missile Defense.** The study estimates that the total life cycle cost for a layered missile defense system could reach \$1.2 trillion through 2035. You can download the PDF file from <http://www.epsusa.org/publications/papers/bmd/bmd.pdf>, or order a copy of the report from the cosponsor of the study at <http://www.armscontrolcenter.org/nmd/fullcost.html>.



**Data Resource webpage** offers links to data sources for:

- International military expenditure and conflict indicators
- US military expenditure and capabilities
- Western Europe
- Russia

<http://www.epsusa.org/network/data.htm>. If you know of a data source that you feel should be added to our list, please contact Thea Harvey at [theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

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## Action Corner



US nuclear weapons policies are outdated, dangerous, and misguided. The United States still maintains thousands of nuclear weapons on high alert, ready to fight a nuclear war. The Bush administration is planning to replace the entire US arsenal with a new generation of nuclear weapons. These policies do not reflect the threats the United States faces.

The Nuclear Policy and Posture Review Act of 2007 would prohibit funding for new nuclear weapons until a comprehensive nuclear policy and posture review are completed by the next presidential administration. The bill which was introduced by Senators Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Susan Collins (R-ME), Richard Durbin (D-IL), Robert Casey (D-PA), Russ Feingold (D-WI), and Ted Kennedy (D-MA), has bipartisan support.

To write a letter to your Senator, asking him or her to become a co-sponsor, please go to:

[http://ucsaction.org/campaign/9\\_12\\_07\\_NuclearReview](http://ucsaction.org/campaign/9_12_07_NuclearReview)

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## Upcoming Events

October 4 - 6, 2007. **International Conference on Applied Business and Economics (ICABE)** will be held from at the University of Piraeus, Piraeus (Athens) Greece. [http://www.icabe.gr/index.php?option=com\\_frontpage&Itemid=1](http://www.icabe.gr/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1)

October 8 - 9, 2007. The Vienna Congress of Non-Governmental Organizations (CONGO) office will organize a Forum on "**Civil Society and Outer Space - Where do we Stand on using Outer Space for Peaceful Purposes?**" Information about the Forum can be downloaded from <http://www.ngocongo.org/index.php?what=doc&id=1093>.

October 12 - 14, 2007. A conference celebrating the thirtieth anniversary of The Peace Economy Project (formerly the St. Louis Economic Conversion Project) will take place in St. Louis, MO. ***Defining Security: Military Policy for a Post Iraq World. Why Peace Won't Break Out if We Keep Spending Half a Trillion Dollars a Year on War.*** Contact Andy Heaslet at [pep@peaceeconomyproject.org](mailto:pep@peaceeconomyproject.org) or (314) 726-6406 for more information on registration.

October 26, 2007. A conference on ***Corporate Responsibility in Conflict-Affected Countries*** organized by the Flemish/Dutch affiliate of EPS in Antwerp, Belgium. Watch this space for more information.

November 1 - 3, 2007. The European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy presents the **EAEPE 2007 Conference: Economic growth, development, and institutions - lessons for policy and the need for an evolutionary framework of analysis** in Porto, Portugal. Registration and program info is available at <http://eaepe.org/eaepe.php?q=node/view/250>

November 2 - 4, 2007. The **Peace Science Society (International) will hold its 41st North American Meeting** in Columbia, South Carolina. The Department of Political Science at University of South Carolina will serve as host. Zaryab Iqbal will serve as local coordinator. Call for papers is at [http://pss.la.psu.edu/2007-conference\\_files/2007-conference.htm](http://pss.la.psu.edu/2007-conference_files/2007-conference.htm) The deadline for submissions is June 15, 2007

December 10 - 11, 2007. **Third Annual Households in Conflict Network Workshop** at the Institute of Development Studies, at the University of Sussex, Brighton, UK. This workshop will focus on the relationship between micro-level conflict processes and institutions. Professor Scott Gates, Director of the Center for the Study of Civil War at PRIO, Oslo, will deliver the keynote speech. More information and a call for papers are available at <http://www.hicn.org/events.html>. Paper deadline is September 30, 2007.

January 4 - 6, 2008. The **Annual Meetings of the Allied Social Sciences Associations** in New Orleans, Louisiana. See [http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/Annual\\_Meeting/index.htm](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/Annual_Meeting/index.htm) to register for the conference. EPS will honor Paul Krugman



at our annual dinner, and present three sessions: Disaster Economics, The Future of the Defense Budget, and The Plight of the Soldier.

- March 26 - 29, 2008. The **Annual Convention of the International Studies Association (ISA)** will take place in San Francisco. A panel on Feminist Security Studies is planned. <http://www.isanet.org/sanfran2008/>

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