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" I love peace, and am anxious that we should give the world still another useful lesson, by showing to them other modes of punishing injuries than by war, which is as much a punishment to the punisher as to the sufferer."

- Thomas Jefferson

## EPS News

***The Financial Crisis, the US Economy, and International Security in the New Administration*** was held at the Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis, New School, New York on Friday, November 14, 2008. The conference was organized by Economists for Peace and Security, the Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation Initiative for Re-thinking the Economy, and the Levy Economics Institute of Bard College. To see the **video and transcripts from the conference, now posted on our website**, visit <http://www.epsusa.org/events/08conf/program.htm>.

The Initiative for Re-thinking the Economy also has a webpage devoted the conference at <http://www2.i-r-e.org/spip.php?article51>

***Rethink Afghanistan*** is a series of short videos from Brave New Foundation, that explores US policy towards Afghanistan. Part I features a debate between Katrina vanden Heuvel, editor of The Nation, and Lawrence Korb, Senior Fellow at the New America Foundation, focusing on what military escalation will achieve. Part II looks at how the war could further destabilize a nuclear-armed Pakistan. And Part III examines the Cost of the War, featuring interviews with EPS Fellows Linda Bilmes and Winslow Wheeler and many others.

<http://rethinkafghanistan.com>

There is also a petition addressed to Sen. John F. Kerry, Chairman of Foreign Relations Committee, and Rep. Howard Berman, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee asking for oversight hearings on the Afghanistan conflict.

**The 13th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security** will take place June 24—26, 2009 at CITY College in Thessaloniki, Greece. The conference is sponsored by EPS-UK; EPS-Greece; the Business Administration and Economics Department, CITY College, an affiliated institution of the University of Sheffield; the University of the West of England; and SEERC (South East European Research Centre). The conference will have plenary sessions with keynote speakers, plus specialist workshop streams.

Please note that the **registration deadline** for the 13th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security is the **20th of April 2009**. **We would appreciate it a lot if you could send us your completed registration form by this date**. This will facilitate early planning and organization of the event.

The conference website is [http://www.city.academic.gr/special/events/economics\\_and\\_security09/index.html](http://www.city.academic.gr/special/events/economics_and_security09/index.html).

Stanford University Press announces the official release of *America's Defense Meltdown: Pentagon Reform for President Obama and the New Congress*. In this hard-hitting new book, 13 non-partisan Pentagon insiders, retired military officers, and defense specialists explain the continuing collapse in America's defenses and what to do about it. The book, edited by EPS Fellow Winslow Wheeler, reveals how decades-long problems have corroded American military power. While the politicians tout our military as "the best in the world," they appear oblivious to the wide-ranging problems plaguing United States armed forces. Despite the highest levels of spending since World War II, America's armed forces are now smaller, older and less ready to fight, even as we send our soldiers and marines to fight in Iraq and Afghanistan. <http://www.sup.org/search/search.cgi?search=america%27s+defense+meltown>

**Vol. 4, No. 1 of the Economics of Peace and Security Journal** is **now available online**. Non-subscribers can access the abstracts and contents pages. This issue contains symposia on defense innovation and the economics of conflict with contributions by:

- Renaud Bellais on defense innovation and venture capital
- Sylvain Daffix and Yves Jacquin on European defense R&D and national R&D systems
- Peter Hall and Andrew James on industry structure and innovation in the British defense sector
- Philip Verwimp introduces the symposium articles
- S. Mansoob Murshed on greed, grievance, and social contract
- M. Zulfan Tadjoeddin and Anis Chowdhury on violence in Indonesia
- Ana María Ibáñez on forced displacement in Colombia
- Steven Spittaels and Filip Hilgert on conflict mapping in the Congo

And articles by:

- Christopher E.S. Warburton on war and exchange rate valuation
- Steve Chan on the democratic peace proposition
- Steve Townsend on Thomas Friedman's First Law of Petropolitics
- Ronen Bar-El, Kobi Kagan, and Asher Tishler on military planning

EPS members receive a **25% discount on the annual 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.

You can find more information or subscribe to the Journal at <http://www.epsjournal.org.uk/>.

To become a member of EPS (and to qualify for the subscription discount) visit <http://www.epsusa.org/membership/membership.htm>.

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## Links

### **Joint Statement by President Dmitriy Medvedev of the Russian Federation and President Barack Obama of the United States of America.**

“Reaffirming that the era when our countries viewed each other as enemies is long over, and recognizing our many common interests, we today established a substantive agenda for Russia and the United States to be developed over the coming months and years. We are resolved to work together to strengthen strategic stability, international security, and jointly meet contemporary global challenges, while also addressing disagreements openly and honestly in a spirit of mutual respect and acknowledgement of each other’s perspective...”

[http://www.whitehouse.gov/the\\_press\\_office/Joint-Statement-by-President-Dmitriy-Medvedev-of-the-Russian-Federation-and-President-Barack-Obama-of-the-United-States-of-America/](http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/Joint-Statement-by-President-Dmitriy-Medvedev-of-the-Russian-Federation-and-President-Barack-Obama-of-the-United-States-of-America/)

### ***The Power Problem: How American Military Dominance Makes Us Less Safe, Less Prosperous, and Less Free***

is a new book from the Cato Institute’s Chris Preble, in which he documents the enormous costs of America’s military power. He further proposes a new grand strategy that will advance US national security by establishing a new set of rules governing the use of force abroad, and reaffirming the Founders’ intention to restrain the president’s ability to make war.

Numerous polls show that Americans want to reduce our military presence abroad, allowing our allies and other nations to assume greater responsibility both for their own defense and for enforcing security in their respective regions. In *The Power Problem*, Christopher A. Preble explores the aims, costs, and limitations of the use of this nation’s military power. Throughout, he makes the case that the majority of Americans are right, and the foreign policy experts who disdain the public’s perspective are wrong. He documents how the possession of vast military strength runs contrary to the original intent of the Founders, and, as they feared, has shifted the balance of power away from individual citizens and toward the central government, and from the legislative and judicial branches of government to the executive. In Preble’s estimate, if policymakers in Washington have at their disposal immense military might, they will constantly be tempted to overreach, and to redefine ever more broadly the “national interest.” Published by Cornell University Press.

Christopher A. Preble is Director of Foreign Policy Studies at the Cato Institute and a former commissioned officer in the US Navy. He is the author of *John F. Kennedy and the Missile Gap* and *Exiting Iraq: Why the US Must End the Military Occupation and Renew the War against Al Qaeda*.

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## In Other News

As taxes came due on April 15, taxpayers took stock of how the federal government spent **each 2008 income tax dollar: 37.3 cents went towards military-related spending, while environment, energy and science-related projects split 2.8 cents**, according to a new analysis released by National Priorities Project (NPP).

In its annual release, *Where Do Your Tax Dollars Go?* (<http://www.nationalpriorities.org/taxday2009>) NPP offers a breakdown of how the federal government spent the median income family’s 2008 tax payments in each state and 200 cities.

According to National Priorities Project, 37.3 cents for military-related spending breaks down as follows: 29.4 cents for current military and war spending coupled with 7.9 cents for military-related debt. At 3.8 cents of each

dollar, veterans' benefits receive similar proportions of a federal tax dollar as housing and community programs and food-related programs.

National Priorities Project offers breakdowns of the cost by state, city and congressional district. Spring 2009 releases include a calculation of war costs for Afghanistan and Iraq and associated trade-offs based on analyses of the \$75.5 billion FY2009 war supplemental and the \$130 billion allocated for the Iraq and Afghanistan wars allocated in the FY2010 defense budget. <http://nationalpriorities.org>

On April 9, 2009, the Obama administration released details of its **Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 supplemental funding request** for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. The total request is \$83.4 billion to fund ongoing military, diplomatic, and intelligence operations. Of this amount, \$75.5 billion is for costs related to military operations and intelligence activities in Iraq and Afghanistan; and \$7.1 billion is for international affairs and stabilization activities in those countries and around the globe.

In February 2008, the Bush administration requested a \$70 billion supplemental "bridge" fund to cover the costs of military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan for the first part of FY 2009, which began on October 1, 2008. Congress approved \$65.9 billion. On February 26, 2009, the Obama administration released the initial details of its proposed FY 2010 budget for the federal government. At that time, the administration indicated that it would also be seeking an additional \$75.5 billion in supplemental funding for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan for the latter part of the current fiscal year (FY 2009).

Highlights of the request, plus major defense funding information and a history of funding for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan is available at [http://www.armscontrolcenter.org/policy/securityspending/articles/041309\\_c111\\_fy09\\_war\\_supp2/](http://www.armscontrolcenter.org/policy/securityspending/articles/041309_c111_fy09_war_supp2/).

**The Peace Media Clearinghouse** is a new collection of key audio and visual resources and best practices related to conflict management. The Clearinghouse is a joint project of the US Institute of Peace Center for Innovation for Media, Conflict, and Peacebuilding, and Georgetown University's Conflict Resolution Program. See <http://peacemedia.usip.org/>.

During a recent event at the New America Foundation panelists discussed, *Halliburton's Army: What Next for Private Military Contractors*. The panel included Pratap Chatterjee, author of the new book "Halliburton's Army: How a Well- Connected Texas Oil Company Revolutionized the Way America Makes War;" Michael Cohen, co-director of the Privatization of Foreign Policy Initiative; Janine Wedel, author of "Shadow Elite: The New Agents of Power and Influence;" and Bill Hartung, director of the Arms and Security Initiative and EPS Fellow.

Pratap began by saying that Halliburton, and now its spin-off KBR, are important because as Napoleon said, "an army marches on its stomach," and in today's military "that stomach is fed by KBR."

You can watch the whole event online at [http://www.newamerica.net/events/2009/halliburtons\\_army](http://www.newamerica.net/events/2009/halliburtons_army).

The James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies announces the release of the **2009 NPT Briefing Book** (interim edition). The Briefing Book is the most comprehensive source of background and reference material on the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and its associated regime.

The Briefing Book is comprised of two parts. Part I contains introductory background information on the nuclear non-proliferation regime and nuclear energy issues, as well as summaries of the review process to date. Part II contains a compilation of treaties, agreements and documents relevant to the issues due to be discussed at the 2009 NPT Preparatory Committee for the 2010 NPT Review Conference.

The 2009 NPT Briefing Book (interim edition) is available online at [http://cns.miis.edu/treaty\\_npt/npt\\_briefing\\_book\\_2009/index.htm](http://cns.miis.edu/treaty_npt/npt_briefing_book_2009/index.htm).

In the early 1990s, following decades of Shell's environmental devastation in the Niger Delta in Nigeria, the Ogoni

people of the region organized a non-violent movement against the oil company.

Shell's response? They armed, financed, and otherwise colluded with the Nigerian military regime to repress the non-violent movement, leading to the torture and shootings of Ogoni people as well as massive raids and the destruction of Ogoni villages. In one incident, Shell was building an oil pipeline and requested support from the Nigerian military. The pipeline destroyed Karalolo Kogbara's farm and, as she was crying over her lost crops, the soldiers shot her. In a separate incident, Uebari N-nah was shot and killed by soldiers near a Shell flow station; the soldiers were requested by and later compensated by Shell. Furthermore, Shell helped develop a strategy that resulted in the 1995 executions of nine of the movement's leaders, including internationally acclaimed writer and activist Ken Saro-Wiwa.

On May 26, 2009, the Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR), co-counsel EarthRights International (ERI) and other human rights attorneys will bring oil giant Shell to federal court in New York for the start of a landmark trial for corporate accountability. For more information, CCR and ERI are launching a short film titled [The Case Against Shell](#), and a new website, [www.WiwavShell.org](http://www.WiwavShell.org).

Two articles posted on [AlterNet](#) discuss the health hazards of the burn pits at Balad Army base in Iraq. The articles are by Nora Eisenberg, director of the City University of New York's Faculty Fellowship Publication Program.

"Six years into the war, many US bases in Iraq are still without incinerators, leaving open pits spewing toxic plumes over soldiers and civilians. ...The Department of Defense has stated that the potential short- and long-term risks were estimated to be low. General Petraeus adds that burn pits go with the territory: 'There is and will continue to be a need for burn pits during contingency operations.'

"The Disabled American Veterans now has information on 182 sick veterans in a database developed by Assistant National Legislative director Kerry Baker. Forty-eight have developed lymphoma, leukemia or other cancers; and 16 veterans in the database have died. And on March 30th, a group of seven lawmakers asked Secretary of Defense Robert Gates to attend to these findings as well the findings from an independent scientific consultant, which found a serious danger that veterans may become ill from burn pit fumes."

***Burning Toxic Waste is Making US Soldiers and Iraqis Sick, But the Pentagon Refuses to Admit It***

[http://www.alternet.org/healthwellness/132345/burning\\_toxic\\_waste\\_is\\_making\\_u.s.\\_soldiers\\_and\\_iraqis\\_sick%2C\\_but\\_the\\_pentagon\\_refuses\\_to\\_admit\\_it/?page=1](http://www.alternet.org/healthwellness/132345/burning_toxic_waste_is_making_u.s._soldiers_and_iraqis_sick%2C_but_the_pentagon_refuses_to_admit_it/?page=1)

***New Public Database Reveals First-Hand Accounts of How Toxic Burn Pits Are Making US Troops Sick***

[http://www.alternet.org/healthwellness/134913/new\\_public\\_database\\_reveals\\_first-hand\\_accounts\\_of\\_how\\_toxic\\_burn\\_pits\\_are\\_making\\_u.s.\\_troops\\_sick/](http://www.alternet.org/healthwellness/134913/new_public_database_reveals_first-hand_accounts_of_how_toxic_burn_pits_are_making_u.s._troops_sick/)

**Request for Submissions:** The *Peace and Conflict Review* is looking for academic articles, conference papers, and book reviews for our spring 2009 issue. All themes relevant to Peace and Conflict Studies are welcome, although priority will be given to articles focusing on International Law, Environmental Security, Gender, Media, and/or International Organization.

The Review is a fully peer-reviewed, open-access journal hosted at the headquarters of the UN mandated University for Peace. See <http://www.review.upeace.org> for submission guidelines and additional information.

**Request for submissions:** Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy, a journal founded by Walter Isard and published by Bepress, is launching a new policy. In order to improve scientific communication within the field of Peace Science and Peace Economics, PEPS will publish "Letters" to provide accounts of new original research. Letters will not normally exceed 2,000 words in length, exclusive of equations, graphs, and figures. Letters can be either theoretical or applied, and will be subject to the peer-review process. In order to make a decision in a short time, reviewers will be asked to give only an "accept/reject" evaluation. Only minor revisions will be allowed.

For more information, please visit [www.bepress.com/peps](http://www.bepress.com/peps)

**Call for papers:** Elsevier is seeking manuscripts for its *Building Insights; Breaking Boundaries* initiative.

The Editors-in-chief of Elsevier Journals are currently accepting manuscripts in all fields of human endeavor. Authors are invited to submit manuscripts reporting recent developments in their fields. Papers submitted will be sorted out and published in any of the numerous journals that best fit.

Elsevier will also organize seminars at strategic cities all over the world to showcase the research work gathered by this special publication procedure.

The submitted papers must be written in English and describe original research not published nor currently under review by other journals. All submitted papers, if relevant to the theme and objectives of the journal, will go through an external peer-review process. Submissions should include an abstract, 5–10 key words, and the e-mail address of the corresponding author. The paper length should not exceed 30 double-spaced pages including figures and references on 8.5 by 11 inch paper using at least 11-point font. Authors should select a category designation for their manuscripts (article, short communication, review, etc.).

Papers should be submitted electronically via email as Microsoft Word or PDF attachments, and should include a cover sheet containing corresponding author's name, paper title, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax number, email address etc.

Would-be authors should send their manuscript to [elsevierpublishers@live.co.uk](mailto:elsevierpublishers@live.co.uk).

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## Funding and Employment Opportunities

The **Initiative for Policy Dialogue (IPD) at Columbia University** is looking to hire a professional with strong organizational and management skills to be its new **Managing Director**.

The IPD was founded in July 2000 to help developing countries explore economic policy alternatives and enable wider civic participation in economic policymaking. IPD is now a global network of more than 250 leading economists, political scientists, and practitioners from the North and South with diverse backgrounds and views. It is supported by a wide array of foundations, development agencies, and international organizations. It is chaired by Nobel Prize winner Joseph E. Stiglitz, formerly chief economist of the World Bank, and Jose Antonio Ocampo, formerly UN Undersecretary for Economic and Social Affairs and head of the UN Commission for Latin America. It has active and successful programs involving country dialogues, education, journalism training, research, and conferences on development issues. The results of its research and conferences are published by Oxford University Press and Columbia University Press. While the focus of IPD's work is on research and education, it engages in advocacy on behalf of the interests of developing countries in certain arenas.

For complete job listing, please see <https://jobs.columbia.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/frameSet/FrameSet.jsp?time=1227203800734>

In order to spur new thinking and policy initiatives to address today's most urgent proliferation threats, the **James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies** and its journal, the *Nonproliferation Review*, are sponsoring an **essay contest** to identify and publish the most outstanding new scholarly papers and reports in the nonproliferation field. The contest features a \$10,000 grand prize and a \$1,000 prize for the most outstanding student essay. For more information, please visit <http://cns.miis.edu/npr/contest.htm>.

The New Ideas Fund is seeking to support individuals to generate and develop new ideas in the fields of foreign policy and national security. NIF projects should result in a policy brief or a "white-paper" style report detailing the author's new vision for American foreign policy. The New Ideas Fund will also consider publicizing already published material.

NIF funds ambitious projects that promise to shift foreign policy and national security debates in new, progressive directions. When submitting a project proposal, prospective grantees should explain the focus of their project, its significance to the foreign policy and national security disciplines, how it differs from past approaches, and its potential to effect progressive change either in the near future or in the long term.

Grants are available in the \$5,000 to \$25,000 range. For more information visit <http://www.newideasfund.org/>.

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## EPS Publications and Resources

Economists for Peace and Security is proud to announce the release of a report on the Bush Administration's outer space policy. The report, *Space, Security and the Economy*, warns that the present policy of space dominance could transform outer space into a military battleground.

Official US policy asserts the right to deny any nation access to space if its actions are "perceived" to be hostile. This policy, together with other actions such as withdrawal from the ABM treaty and the ongoing development of weapons intended to attack objects in space, could lead to the deployment of weapons in space. If the US stations weapons in space other nations are likely to do the same, and we will be faced with an arms race in space.

The report concludes that no one can prevail and all stand to lose in an arms race in space. Among other consequences would be negative effects on the growing scientific and commercial uses of space, and on the economy. In particular, private investors are unlikely to place additional resources at risk in a vulnerable area of potential military conflict.

The report calls for changes in the policy of space dominance, greater transparency in military space spending, and detailed information about government and commercial space activities.

To view a PDF of the report, visit: <http://www.e/psusa.org/publications/papers/spacesecurity.pdf>.

To request a hard copy, please email Thea Harvey [theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

Read YubaNet's blog about the report: <http://yubanet.com/usa/Report-Economic-Impact-of-Arms-Race-in-Space.php>.

**Proceedings from the EPS conference *War and Poverty, Peace and Prosperity***, held May 30 – June 1, 2007 in Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, are available in hard copy or [PDF](#). [Audio and transcripts](#) of each session are also posted on our website. To request a hard copy, please email Thea Harvey at [theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

**"Arms, War and Terrorism in the Global Economy Today: Economic Analyses and Civilian Alternatives"** is a volume published by Bremer Schriften zur Konversion. It presents papers of two joint seminars of EPS and the European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy (EAEPE) which took place in Rethymon, Crete, Greece, as well as papers from the 2004 Second International Conference on Defense, Security, and Economic Development held in Larissa, Greece.

Contributing authors include Michael Intriligator, Fannie Coulomb, Jacques Fontanel, Jurgen Brauer, Gulay Gunluk-Senesen, J. Paul Dunne, Luc Mampaey, Claude Serfati, Christos Kollias, Clark Abt, and Lucy Law Webster, as well as many other notable economists.

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

**Fact Sheets:** Periodically, we release two-sided fact sheets designed to give an accessible, graphic look at one specific issue of concern to our members and constituency.

*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>.

**Conflict or Development?** This book has a regional focus on Africa, the site of most of the world's current armed conflicts. In its pages, some of the leading economists of the day analyze and reflect on the relationships among military spending, domestic and foreign policy, security, and human welfare. Features include country studies, sections on business and conflict, and "Trends in World Military Expenditure." Written in a general-interest style, with informative maps, tables, and graphs, the series is designed to inform the debate among policymakers, activists, journalists, academics, students, and citizens worldwide.

You can order *Conflict or Development* by emailing [theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

*Conflict or Development* is also a valuable resource in teaching economics, political science, and international relations courses. To review a copy for use in your syllabus, email Thea Harvey at [theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

**The Full Cost of Ballistic Missile Defense.** This 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

On April 5, 2009, President Obama spoke in Prague, stating, "Today, I state clearly and with conviction America's commitment to seek the peace and security of a world without nuclear weapons."

Although many prominent analysts of both major political parties have embraced Obama's call for nuclear disarmament, already some in Congress are saying that total nuclear disarmament is unrealistic. Some senators are moving to block ratification of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) and other components of the president's nuclear disarmament goal.

To ask your senators to speak out publicly in support of President Obama's call for a world free of nuclear weapons, please sign FCNL's (Friends Committee on National Legislation) petition to work for a world free of nuclear weapons. <http://action.fcnl.org/r/33562/43984/0>.

Want to get the word out on the topic that matters most to you? With a letter to your local paper, you can help bring your message not only to your neighbors, but directly to the offices of your Members of Congress as well, where staffers and our lawmakers themselves follow opinions from home with an especially watchful eye.

The ACLU has a **tool that helps write and send letters to local papers**. Available are a list of media outlets by state, tips on how to write a letter in your own words, plus talking points for the listed topics.



[http://action.aclu.org/site/PageServer?pagename=LTE\\_SOTU\\_2007&JServSessionIdr001=3bu49o8t9l.app20a](http://action.aclu.org/site/PageServer?pagename=LTE_SOTU_2007&JServSessionIdr001=3bu49o8t9l.app20a)

Do you have a foreign policy alternative that should be heard in the halls of government? Citizens for Global Solutions provides an easy-to-use tool to find the foreign policy staffer for your Member of Congress. Click here to access the Foreign Policy Staffer Locator: <http://globalsolutions.org/hill/fpstaff>.

If you would like to post an EPS flyer on a departmental bulletin board or similar venue, please contact Thea Harvey at [theaharvey@epsusa.org](mailto:theaharvey@epsusa.org).

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## Upcoming Events

May 7 – 8, 2009. **10 Years of the Euro: Adjustment in Capital and Labor Markets** conference sponsored by the Economic Policies Research Unit of the University of Minho, Braga, Portugal. Paper submissions will be accepted until February 28, 2009. For updates and more information, visit <http://www3.eeg.uminho.pt/economia/nipe/euro10years>.

May 9 – 10, 2009. **Codepink Mothers' Day Vigil for Peace** at the White House, Washington DC. For schedule of events, to register for housing, and other information, see <http://www.codepinkalert.org/section.php?id=401>.

June 24 – 26, 2009. **The 13th Annual International Conference on Economics and Security** will take place at CITY College in Thessaloniki, Greece, sponsored by EPS-UK; EPS-Greece; the Business Administration and Economics Department, CITY College, an affiliated institution of the University of Sheffield; the University of the West of England; and SEERC (South East European Research Centre). The conference will have plenary sessions with keynote speakers, plus specialist workshop streams. [http://www.city.academic.gr/special/events/economics\\_and\\_security09/index.html](http://www.city.academic.gr/special/events/economics_and_security09/index.html).

June 24 – 26, 2009. Technology and Economic Development Conference, **3rd International Conference on Innovation, Technology and Knowledge Economics** in Ankara, Turkey, hosted by METU-TEKPOL, Science and Technology Policies Research Center, Middle East Technical University (METU). For application and submission details, and for further information, please refer to: <http://conf09.metu.edu.tr>.

June 29 – July 1, 2009. **Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference** in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Fee is 50 Euros. Email [NEPSconference@gmail.com](mailto:NEPSconference@gmail.com) for more information.


July 10 – 12, 2009. **New Directions for International Relations**, a conference at the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy at IDC-Herzliya, Israel. Topics include: Behavioral Approaches to International Relations; Rational Choice and International Relations; Quantitative and Formal Analysis of Conflict and Conflict Resolution; Negotiations and Mediation in International Conflicts; Methodological Innovations in IR; and a special panel on Conflict Resolution in the Middle East: Bridging the Gap between Academia and Practice.


July 23 – 25, 2009. **European Peace Architecture: Integration, Cooperation and Engagement**, the 6th EuPRA bi-annual Congress, will take place in Tirana, Albania. The conference is sponsored by the European Peace Research Association (EuPRA), the European affiliate of International Peace Research Association (IPRA) in cooperation with Faculty of Social Sciences, European University of Tirana, Albania. For more information email [eupra2009@gmail.com](mailto:eupra2009@gmail.com).

July 26 – 31, 2009. **Economic Crisis, War and the Rise of the State**, Cato University 2009 in San Diego, California. More information at Allison Horton at [www.cato-university.org](http://www.cato-university.org).

August 7 – 10, 2009. **7th General Conference** of Mayors for Peace in Nagasaki, Japan. Registration and travel information at <https://apollon.nta.co.jp/peace07e/>.


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