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AFGHANISTAN 2011-2014 AND BEYOND: Transforming International Support Operations for Sustainable Peace

February 22-23, 2011

DAY ONE: Tuesday, February 22, 2011

8:30 a.m.

Registration

Continental breakfast will be served

9:00–9:30 a.m.

Introduction and Welcome

Ashley J. Tellis, Senior Associate, Carnegie Endowment
Alvaro de Vasconcelos, Director, EUISS

Keynote Address

General Abdul Rahim Wardak, Minister of Defense of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

9:30–10:00 a.m.

A View from the Field

Martin Kobler, Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary General, United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA)

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Session One: Sustaining Military Operations Amidst Afghan-led Peacebuilding

How can the international community sustain both the improvement of Afghan National Security Training Forces (ANSF) capabilities and the internal peace building process?

Are the current mechanisms conducive for a successful security sector transition to local civilian leadership upon the withdrawal of international troops?

What further actions are necessary to develop required ANSF capabilities?

Chairperson: Luis Peral, Research Fellow, EUISS

Panelists: Ali Ahmad Jalali, Distinguished Professor, National Defence University

James Dobbins, Director, International Security and Defense Policy Center, RAND Corporation

Etienne de Durand, Director of the Center for Strategic Studies, French Institute for International Relations

Eva Gross, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for European Studies

12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

Keynote Address

Frank Ruggiero, Senior Deputy U.S. Special Representative to Afghanistan and Pakistan

Introduction

Ashley J. Tellis, Carnegie Endowment

Lunch will be served

2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

Session Two: Crafting a Sustainable Political Transition

How can the international community facilitate the local reconciliation process?

How can sustainable development be achieved in Afghanistan, including weakening local and international corruption networks?

How can the Afghan constitutional system be further transformed to advance genuine democracy?

Chairperson: Parnian Nazary, Program Officer, Afghanistan Regional Project, Center on International Cooperation

Panelists: Zuhra Bahman, academic and consultant based in Kabul

Said Jawad, Diplomat in Residence, SAIS

Barbara Stapleton, Afghanistan Analysts Network

Caroline Wadhams, Director for South Asia Security Studies, Center for American Progress

7:00 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Dinner at the Carnegie Endowment

Dinner Keynote

Martin Howard, Assistant Secretary General for Operations, NATO

DAY TWO: Wednesday, February 23, 2011

8:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:00–11:00 a.m.

Session Three: International Support for Socioeconomic Sustainability

What should the GIROA be doing to increase socioeconomic stability?

What role should the IMF, World Bank, Asian and Islamic Development Banks, and other national actors play in job and enterprise creation, revenue collection and trade integration in Afghanistan?

What kind of state institutions can Afghanistan afford, under different scenarios of revenue collection; and what steps would need to be taken to increase the revenue generation capacity of the country?

Chairperson: Marvin Weinbaum, Scholar-in-Residence, Middle East Institute

Panelists: Masood Aziz, former Senior Advisor, Embassy of Afghanistan in Washington DC

Clare Lockhart, Director, Institute for State Effectiveness

Bettina Muscheidt, Afghanistan Desk, European External Action Service (EEAS)

Shannon Scribner, Senior Policy Advisor on Humanitarian Issues, Oxfam America

11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Session Four: Strengthening Regional Cooperation and Integration

How can Afghanistan's neighbors contribute towards the stabilization of Afghanistan and towards creating a more integrated region?

What are the most suitable international mechanisms to assist the transition process?

How can the United States, EU and countries in the region contribute to and work together on all these questions?

Chairperson: Shuja Nawaz, Director, South Asia Center, Atlantic Council

Panelists: Masood Aziz, former Senior Advisor, Embassy of Afghanistan in Washington DC

Victor Korgun, Chief Researcher, Institute of Oriental Studies, Moscow

Gilles Dorronsoro, Visiting Scholar, Carnegie Endowment

Lunch will be served

2:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m.

Public Event: International Support for Sustainable Peace Building in Afghanistan

Moderators: Ashley J. Tellis, Carnegie Endowment
Luis Peral, Research Fellow, EUISS
Alvaro de Vasconcelos, Director, EUISS

Speakers: Martin Howard, Assistant Secretary General for Operations, NATO

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4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Press Conference with Afghan Journalists