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Dr Alan Mendoza

I'm delighted to welcome you to the third edition of The Henry Jackson Society Quarterly Review, which details our many activities over these past three months.

This quarter we welcome Rosanna Rafel as our Media and Communications Officer. Rosanna, an HJS intern alumni, brings with her a range of communications experience, previously having worked at the Foreign Policy Initiative in Washington D.C. and most recently as a researcher for a major UK charity that focuses on anti-Semitism in Britain and abroad.

The Henry Jackson Society released a selection of timely publications this quarter. Chief among them, *The Rise of 'Outsider' Parties in the EU Elections*, a landmark guide in the run-up to the May 2014 Elections, which forecasted the rise of traditionally fringe parties in the elections, their associations to less than savory bedfellows and their policies. Our publications

over the past three months, detailed inside, spurred debate on the issues that matter most to us, including the implications of the 'Arab Spring' and the growing threat of terrorism in Egypt.

Strategic Analysis at The Henry Jackson Society held its second conference this quarter, *Political Risk and Business Interruption Exposures: Mitigating the Risk Post – 'Arab Spring'?* The conference brought together industry experts and commentators on the Middle East and North Africa region to assess the impact on business of the instability following the 'Arab Spring'.

Our Parliamentary events diary has again hosted a wide-range of international experts, officials and politicians, addressing issues such as Chinese leadership, energy infrastructure, religious freedom and Islam, and Russia's recent military invasion of Ukraine. Among the highlights was the launch of the 'Anti-Corruption Foundation' where we hosted Vladimir Ashurkov and Sergei Guriev to examine the implications of Russian governmental corruption and the Foundation's efforts to combat it.

In the run-up to and in the wake of Ukraine's Presidential elections, HJS has focused much attention on the continuing Ukraine Crisis and on Russian foreign policy, both in terms of our media output and our events, further detailed inside.

Russia's annexation of the Crimean Peninsula and destabilisation of Ukraine undoubtedly marks the end of the post-Cold War period, emphasising the troubled relations between

Russia under Putin and the West. It has also highlighted a lack of understanding in the West about Russia, the Soviet successor states, and their respective geo-political landscape.

Not for the first time, European security has been threatened by the aggressive policies of a revisionist power. But the implications of the Ukraine Crisis are far broader than this, and they pose important questions about nuclear non-proliferation as well as the role of Western institutions in an increasingly multi-polar world. In the next quarter of 2014, HJS will continue to examine the ongoing crisis, Russia's position on the global stage and its implications for the West. We will continue to serve as a key source of in-depth analysis, via our research and publications, as well as in the press.

I trust you will find this edition of the Quarterly Review informative and thank you for your ongoing support for the Society – without which we could not accomplish our vital work.

Dr Alan Mendoza
Executive Director

Front Cover Photos:

Jim Woolsey, Director of Central Intelligence under President Clinton

Bill Clinton, Former President of the United States of America

Sir John Scarlett KCMG OBE, Former Chief of the Secret Intelligence Service

Back Cover Photos:

Michael Rubin, Resident Scholar at the American Enterprise Institute

Ambassador Diego Arria, Former Permanent Representative of Venezuela to the United Nations

Gisela Stuart, Member of Parliament for Birmingham Edgbaston

Highlights

Inclusive Capitalism: Building Value, Renewing Trust



H.R.H. The Prince of Wales

President Bill Clinton, H.R.H. The Prince of Wales, Managing Director of the IMF Christine Lagarde, and Governor of the Bank of England Mark Carney, took to the stage to urge global business leaders assembled at the 27th May 2014 Conference on Inclusive Capitalism to address critical levels of inequality by expanding the ‘circle of opportunity’ that business creates. Madame Lagarde’s assertion that “complexity should not be an excuse for complacency” reflected the goals of the conference, organised by HJS’s Inclusive Capitalism

Initiative, in which seven panels debated in-depth topics ranging from labour-management cooperation to a long-term investment approach. The discussions set the stage for future cooperation between business leaders on Inclusive Capitalism. Attracting wide media attention, keynote speeches were streamed live by *Reuters* and the conference reached the front pages of the *The Financial Times* and *The Evening Standard* whilst being closely covered by all major UK news channels.

HJS Cited by Government



HJS Evidence on Counter-Terrorism

On May 9th 2014, the House of Commons Home Affairs Select Committee called upon the government to radically reform its counter-terrorism policies, stating that the current system belongs to a “pre-internet age”. The Committee specifically referenced evidence from The Henry Jackson Society in its call for an across-the-board increase in the funding of the Charities Commission. Underscoring the committee’s findings, HJS Political Director Davis Lewin added, “the recognition that the Charity Commission must be resourced properly to make headway in its efforts to stop the system being abused in support of terrorism is paramount”.



Defence Select Committee on Interventionism

In late April, the House of Commons Defence Select Committee called for greater clarity from the government concerning the UK’s role in global governance, amid what it perceives as a “lack of appetite” for British military intervention abroad. Citing evidence from The Henry Jackson Society, the Committee criticised the government’s assertion that the UK’s global influence is not reduced by cuts in defence spending, and recommended a template that sets out when military forces should be deployed abroad. Davis Lewin praised the report saying that it “reflects well on both the Defence Committee and on Parliament’s wider role in ensuring Britain is fully secure in the 21st Century”.

Publications

The Henry Jackson Society prides itself on its high-quality research. This Spring, HJS released four timely publications.

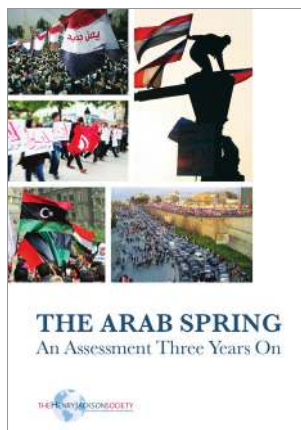
The Rise of ‘Outsider’ Parties in the 2014 EU Elections

Published on May 15th 2014, leading up to the EU Elections, *The Rise of Outsider Parties in the 2014 EU Elections*, provided timely insight into the swell of traditionally fringe parties in Europe and forecasted a momentous gain in the political representation of these parties. The report reveals the mounting popularity of ‘outsider’ parties, charting the parties’ positions on crucial issues, their increasing representation in Europe, their impact on domestic politics and their ties to racism, religious hatred and corruption.



The Rise of ‘Outsider’ Parties in the 2014 EU Elections

A Henry Jackson Society Briefing

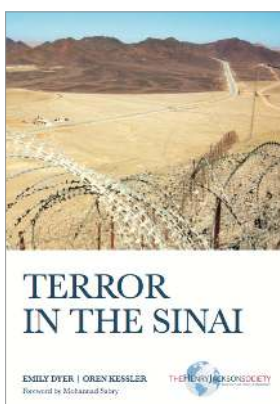
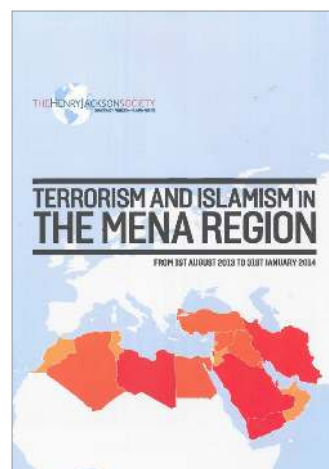


The Arab Spring: An Assessment Three Years On

Launched on April 10th, *The Arab Spring: An Assessment Three Years On*, a collaborative project authored by HJS Research Fellows, provided a much needed examination of the impact of the Arab Spring uprisings. Surveying the economic, social, political and security arenas of countries in the Middle East and North Africa, the report established that, despite high hopes for democracy, human rights and long awaited freedoms, the overall situation on the ground is worse off than before the Arab Spring uprisings.

Terrorism and Islamism in the MENA Region

Three years after the Arab Spring broke out, the increasing presence of Islamist parties and explosive number of terrorist activities has led to an alarming security situation across a most vital region. Released on March 17th 2014, *Terrorism and Islamism in the MENA Region*, is the first map of its kind, part of a series to be released over the coming months. The map details the various levels of Islamism and terrorist activist across the Middle East and North Africa region.



Terror in the Sinai

Terror in the Sinai, launched on May 7th, examines the terrorist threat coming from the Sinai Peninsula. The report, co-authored by Oren Kessler and Emily Dyer, assesses the presence of al-Qaeda and its ideology in the Sinai, emerging ties between Salafi-jihadist groups and local Bedouins, and the successes and failures of the Egyptian army’s recent military efforts in confronting these threats. It finds strong indications of an influx of foreign fighters and weapons in the Sinai and a threat against the Egyptian State and Israel that is more coordinated and sophisticated than ever before.

Events

HJS hosted a large number of events in and out of Parliament this quarter on topics ranging from religious freedom to the ongoing crisis in the Ukraine and Iran.

From State-Building to Society-Building: The Road Ahead for Israel

On March 3rd 2014, Louise Ellman MP chaired an event discussing the road to society-building in Israel. The panel included: Mike Prashker, Commentator and Founder of Merchavim; Adv. Abbas, Founder and Director of Al-Manarah; Yael Kliger, Public Relations Director for United Hatzlah; and Dr Simcha Gethune, Academic and Intercultural Supervisor and Professional Collaborations Development Director of Elem. The basis for the discussion was that Israeli diversity has manifested itself in extremely low levels of social cohesion and a lack of shared civic vision. The panel argued that, although steps are being taken, there is still a long road ahead for promoting equality for minorities in Israeli society.



Adv. Abbas Abbas, Louise Ellman MP, Mike Prashker

Energy Infrastructure: How Vulnerable is it?

Ambassador James Woolsey, who served as the Director of Central Intelligence under President Clinton and represented the United States in the Negotiation for Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, has become a well-known and acknowledged expert on climate change and energy issues. He spoke in Parliament on March 5th 2014, addressing the threats posed to US energy infrastructure as Western society becomes more dependent on technology to run daily life. Ambassador Woolsey explained some of these vulnerabilities in detail, highlighting how a threat to infrastructure could occur and why power grids are susceptible to such threats. He also outlined his thoughts on alternative fuels and on how an alternative fuel economy might operate as we approach a post-oil world.



Lady Caroline Dalmeny, Ambassador James Woolsey, The RT Hon James Arbuthnot MP



Dr Lorenzo Vidino

An Assessment: Coercive Enforcement of Sharia in the UK and Europe

On March 5th 2014, Dr Lorenzo Vidino, Senior Fellow at the Centre for Security Studies, ETH Zurich, and Policy Adviser at the European Foundation for Democracy, discussed the definition of 'hisba' and its command of Muslims (hisba can be translated as, 'commanding good and forbidding evil'). Coercive enforcement of Sharia often occurs when the state is weak, such as in the aftermath of the Arab Spring in both Tunisia and Egypt, when local Salafist groups enforced their own morality on local populations. Authorities across Europe have witnessed instances in which small clusters of radicals sought to police local Muslim communities and impose strict interpretations of Islamic morality. Dr Vidino explored how this radical interpretation manifests in both Muslim-majority countries and Western Europe.

Events continued

Why Protecting Religious Freedom Matters

Dr Robert P. George, addressing an audience in Parliament on Tuesday March 18th 2014, offered his reflections as to why religious freedom, considered a universal right, matters in today's world. He brought forward misconceptions that are often associated with religious freedom and pointed out that religious liberty tends to serve peace, security and prosperity. Dr George stated that religious freedom can be used as a tool for counter-terrorism and stressed that governments worldwide should consider this topic as a high-priority concern, alongside and not inferior to security or trade issues. Dr George concluded by underscoring the importance of international cooperation in the effort to stand up for those being persecuted for their religious beliefs, and praised the cooperation between the United States Committee for International Religious Freedom and the All Party Group on International Religious Freedom, chaired by Baroness Berridge.



Dr Robert P. George and Baroness Berridge



Sir Andrew Wood GCMG, Dr Timothy Snyder, Andy Hunter and Dr Andrew Foxall

Options for Ukraine After the Crimea Referendum

Addressing an audience on March 18th, Sir Andrew Wood GCMG, Dr Timothy Snyder, Andy Hunter and Dr Andrew Foxall spoke in agreement that Russia's encroachment on Ukraine's sovereignty was illegal under international law and had in no way been 'legitimised' by the Crimean referendum, which was entirely unconstitutional. Additionally, Russia's dismemberment of Ukraine represents a threat to the modern state system. The panel agreed that whilst it will be difficult in the short term to reverse Crimea's annexation, tough sanctions against Russia can help change the attitude of Russia's leadership. Moreover, the new Ukrainian state must receive significant and long-term support from the West to help it develop into a successful, free and independent state.

Anti-Corruption Foundation Launch

On March 19th 2014, The Henry Jackson Society hosted a dinner at the Royal Over-Seas-League to launch Russia's 'Anti-Corruption Foundation'. Vladimir Ashurkov, Executive Director of the ACF and Sergei Guriev, Visiting Professor of Economics at the Institute of Political Studies, Paris, reflected on the situation of Russian governmental corruption and explored the ways in which the ACF has tackled this through its programme of innovative projects. Alexey Navalny, Founder of the ACF, who is currently under house arrest in Russia, addressed the audience through a letter read by Roman Borisovich, Supervisory Board Member of the ACF, and thanked attendees for their ongoing support.



Sergei Guriev

Events continued

Jewish Refugees from Arab Countries: A Key Issue in the Middle East Peace Process

Addressing an audience on the March 19th 2014 in Parliament, Dr Stan Urman and Edwin Shuker were joined by Jewish refugees Jenny Steward and Albert Zubaida in acknowledging the Jewish refugee side of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Dr Urman and Ms Shuker both called upon the United Kingdom, the United States and the United Nations to recognise the experience of Jewish refugees who were displaced from states in the Middle East and North Africa from 1948, and urged negotiators to take into account all refugee populations - both Jewish and Arab - as part of any peace agreement.



Edwin Shuker, Dr Stan Urman, Bob Blackman MP, Albert Zubaida, Jenny Stewart

China in the 21st Century: Challenges for the Leadership

Addressing an audience in Parliament on Tuesday March 25th, Jonathan Fenby CBE, founding partner and China Director at Trusted Sources, discussed the challenges China's leadership is facing in the 21st Century. The objective of the discussion was to determine whether China could become a major world power and therefore surpass the West's leadership in dominating the international scene. Fenby concluded that the nature of the international system has become a constraint and a weakness for the Chinese leadership rather than a strength. He argued that China is currently preoccupied more with its domestic challenges - such as the rising inequalities within society, widespread pollution and a lack of innovation - rather than looking abroad to challenge Western leadership.



Jonathan Fenby and Heather Wheeler MP



Dr Andrew Foxall (HJS), Dr Mark Galeotti, James Gray MP

The Military Dimensions of Russia's Policy Towards Ukraine: Should the West be worried?

Addressing an audience in Parliament on March 26th, Dr Mark Galeotti spoke on the military dimension of Russia's recent policy toward Ukraine, including its annexation of Crimea. In light of this and the build-up of Russian forces on Ukraine's eastern border, he outlined what a potential Russian invasion of eastern Ukraine would look like. He also focused on how events in Ukraine reflect a change in the Kremlin's leadership and how the West should deal with a new Putin. Dr Galeotti suggested that the West has to accept the possibility of an escalating war on NATO's doorstep; if it does not produce an adequate response, this will only strengthen Putin's regime.

Events continued

The Iran Negotiations: Will they Succeed?

On April 1st 2014, Dr Michael Doran, Roger Hertog Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution and formerly a senior member of the George W. Bush Administration, discussed the Iranian nuclear negotiations. Dr Doran argued that it is “highly unlikely” that President Obama’s negotiations with Iran will succeed because the interim deal with Iran contains loopholes which allow the Iranians to continue with important aspects of their nuclear programs. Doran believes Obama will keep the Iranians from developing a nuclear bomb “on his watch”, but will likely pass the problem onto his successor, by which time the Iranians will be “inches” away from having a bomb.



Meg Munn (MP), Minister Falah Mustafa Bakir

Iraqi Kurdistan: From Genocide to Liberation and Federalism

Addressing a joint meeting with the All-Party Parliamentary Group on the Kurdistan Region in Iraq in the British Parliament on 9th April, Minister Falah Mustafa Bakir, Head of the Department of Foreign Relations for the Kurdistan Regional Government in Iraq, spoke of the geo-political challenges facing Iraqi Kurdistan, relations of the KRG with Baghdad and the international community, and the prospect and ramifications of Kurdish independence. He claimed that in Baghdad, names and people have changed, but the mentality of centralised power and control has not. The minister expressed hope that Iraqi Kurdistan, as an enclave of relative democracy, economic prosperity and international cooperation in the Middle East, would be able to play a leading and positive role in the politics of the region in these volatile times.



Oren Kessler (HJS), David Butter, Sir John Scarlett KCMG OBE

Strategic Analysis’ Political Risk and Business Interruption Exposures: Mitigating the Risk Post- ‘Arab Spring’?

Following the success of the December 2013 Conference, ‘Managing and Insuring Terrorism’, Strategic Analysis at The Henry Jackson Society hosted a second conference, ‘Political Risk and Business Interruption Exposures: Mitigating the Risk Post-Arab Spring?’ on April 8th 2014 at the Chartered Insurance Institute. Insurance and risk management industry experts as well as commentators on the Middle East and North Africa region offered presentations on how business in the MENA region is conducted within a different framework post- ‘Arab Spring’. Key speakers at the conference included: Sir John Scarlett KCMG OBE; Tom Tugendhat, Former Military Assistant to the Chief of the Defence Staff; Sir William Patey KCMG, Government and International Relations Advisor at Control Risks; and David Butter, Associate Fellow, MENA Programme at Chatham House. The conference had participation from industry leaders Marsh, Willis, Control Risks, Poole Reinsurance, Clyde & Co, Ince & Co, among others.

Events continued



Professor Ian Morris, Dr Julian Lewis MP

War: What is it Good for?

In the Houses of Parliament on Wednesday April 9th 2014, Professor Ian Morris, Jean and Rebecca Willard Professor of Classics and a Fellow of Stanford University's Archaeology Center, discussed the relationship between war and mankind over the last twenty-thousand years. Morris offered that war is putting itself out of business as it has become so successful at creating these societies, that the cost, with the advanced weapons created by these societies, of any future outbreak of war could be cataclysmic. He also noted that the United States should be allowed to continue as the dominant global power but predicted that the next forty years could be very rocky for America's position on the global stage as potential rivals emerge.



John Glen MP, Michael Rubin

Why Diplomacy with Rogue Regimes Backfires

On Tuesday April 29th April, Michael Rubin, Resident Scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and Former Staff Adviser on Iran and Iraq at the Office of the US Secretary of Defence, discussed the perils and pitfalls of 'engaging' with rogue regimes. In light of his new book, *Dancing with the Devil: The Perils of Engaging Rogue Regimes*, he surveyed the governments and groups that outwardly display diplomatic normality, but sponsor terrorism and proliferate nuclear weapons. Rubin analysed Iran and North Korea, and went on to highlight Libya and Afghanistan under the Taliban, addressing the ultimate cost of engagement.



Ambassador Diego Arria, Gisela Stuart MP, Davis Lewin (HJS)

Chavez: A Legacy of Violence, Persecution and Destruction

On Tuesday April 29th 2014, Ambassador Diego Arria, Former Permanent Representative of Venezuela to the United Nations and one of the most vocal critics of the Chavez regime, discussed Hugo Chavez's lasting legacy on Venezuela and South America. Arria outlined the current political landscape of the country, shed light on what steps the opposition should take to provide a feasible alternative to Nicholas Maduro's leadership, and identified the most crucial points the international community must bear in mind with respect to the current situation in Venezuela.

Events continued



Oren Kessler (HJS), Jonathan Djanogly MP, Emiy Dyer (HJS), Mohammed Sabry

Terror in the Sinai: Emerging Trends in Al-Qaeda's New Egyptian Base

On Wednesday May 7th 2014, Mohammed Sabry, an Egyptian journalist and the 2011 Livingstone Award finalist, along with Emily Dyer and Oren Kessler, HJS Research Fellows, discussed how the Sinai is now increasingly being used by militant groups as a hub from which to launch terrorist attacks against mainland Egypt and Israel following the 2011 Egyptian Revolution and the ousting of President Morsi in July 2013. As part of the discussion, Emily and Oren discussed the findings of their new report, including the heightened presence of foreign fighters, weapons and al-Qaeda elements in the Sinai, and the threat they pose to Egypt, Israel and the West.

The Arab Spring: An Assessment Three Years On

Addressing an audience on May 13th 2014 at the Hungarian Embassy, Olivier Guitta, HJS Research Director and Erzsébet Rózsa, Executive Director of the Hungarian Institute of International Affairs, presented their findings on the post-'Arab Spring' Middle East and North Africa. HE Péter Szabadhegy stated the importance of finding stability in the region for the sake of other nations, including Europe. However, such stability is by no means guaranteed in the future as the region recovers from the absence of what Erzsébet Rózsa called, "the patrimonial structure of society" present under former authoritarian leaders. Olivier Guitta presented evidence from The Henry Jackson Society's recent report, *'The Arab Spring: An Assessment Three Years On'*, which concluded that, with the exception of Tunisia, post-revolution MENA states have failed to show significant improvements.



Erzsébet Rózsa, Olivier Guitta (HJS), Andrea Norman-Walker



Orysia Lutsevych, Dr Andrew Foxall (HJS), Jonathan Djanogly MP, Andy Hunder

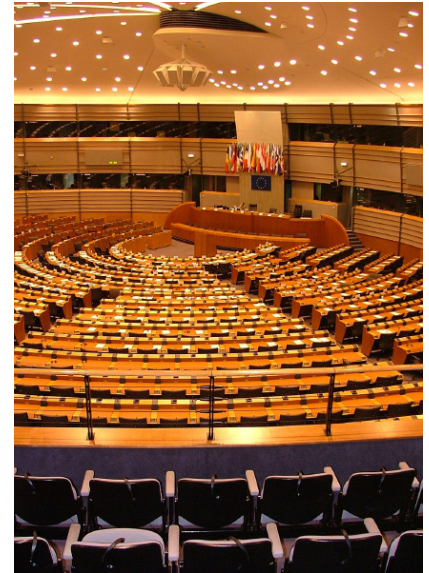
Ukraine's Presidential Election: Forging the Future amidst turmoil

On May 14th 2014, Research Fellow in the Russia and Eurasia Programme at Chatham House Orysia Lutsevych, Director of the Ukrainian Institute in London Andy Hunder, and Director of HJS's Russia Studies Centre Dr Andrew Foxall, debated what the future held for Ukraine following the 25th May Presidential elections. Questions raised in the run up to the election included: what it would mean for the country if Ukraine votes for Mr Poroshenko? How would this differ from Ms. Tymoshenko? And what does Ukraine need to do to reconcile its relations with Russia and the West?

Events continued

The Rise of ‘Outsider’ Parties in the 2013 EU Elections

On May 14th 2014, Michael McCann MP and The Henry Jackson Society hosted an event to launch the release of the latest HJS report, ‘*The Rise of Outsider Parties in the 2014 EU Elections*’. Speakers included: Douglas Murray, Associate Director of The Henry Jackson Society; James Bloodworth, Editor of Left Foot Forward; Christopher Howarth, Senior Analyst at Open Europe; and Rupert Sutton, Research Fellow at The Henry Jackson Society. The report reveals the rising popularity of ‘outsider’ parties, belonging to the furthest-left GUE-NGL bloc, furthest-right EFD bloc and the non-aligned NI bloc, and surveys the parties’ positions on key issues such as corruption, austerity measures, EU integration and NATO membership, and their growing representation in domestic politics. The overall consensus of the panel was the most likely continuum of matters at the European Parliament much the same as before due to the dominance of the large Socialist and the Christian-Democrat groupings, but also a simultaneous rising influence of outsider parties on the domestic scene where they are setting up new social, economic and defence agendas.



Aylin Unver Noi, Ghazi Ben Ahmed, Andrew Mullins, Olivier Guitta (HJS)

A New Paradigm: Perspectives on the Changing Mediterranean

On Tuesday May 20th, HJS hosted the launch of a new book ‘*A New Paradigm: Perspectives on the Changing Mediterranean*’, to which HJS Fellows contributed. The panel included: Dr. Sasha Toperich, Senior Fellow at the Center for Transatlantic Relations SAIS; Aylin Unver Noi, Vice-Director of the European Union Application and Research Center at Gedik University, Turkey; Ghazi Ben Ahmed, Executive Director of the Mediterranean Development Initiative, Tunisia; Andrew Mullins, a Visiting Scholar of the Center for Transatlantic Relations SAIS; and Olivier Guitta, the Director of Research at The Henry Jackson Society. The panel tackled the issue of changing political systems and argued that it is important for countries in the Maghreb to increase cooperation in order to better face shared threats such as the terrorist threat from the Sahel.

Whose Islam? Which Islam? Reformists vs. Revivalists

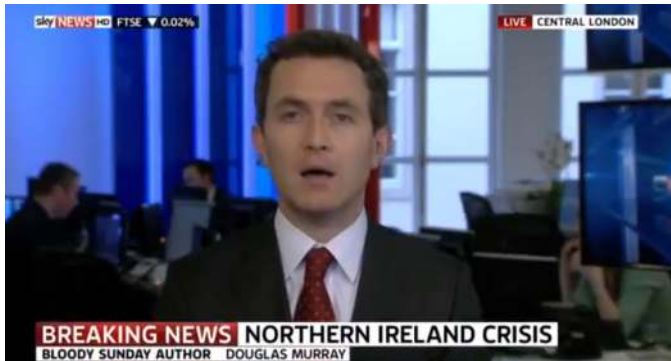
On Wednesday May 21st 2014, Dr Zuhdi Jasser addressed an audience at the National Liberal Club. Dr Jasser, a former medical officer in the US Navy, President and Founder of the American Islamic Forum for Democracy, Commissioner on the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom, and a devout Muslim, spoke about the need for a strategy in fighting the various forms of Islamism and political Islam. Dr Jasser argued that the current strategy employed by many in the West does not face the religious-ideological roots of the problem of Islamism. The West refrains from encouraging a much needed debate on the issue within Islam which ends up marginalising Muslims who are trying to challenge Islamists within the Muslim Community.



Davis Lewin (HJS), Dr Zuhdi Jasser, Douglas Murray (HJS)

Media

Throughout this quarter HJS Fellows and Directors have provided insight into breaking news, including regularly commenting on the developing situation in Ukraine. HJS articles were featured in *The Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Forbes*, *Al Jazeera*, and *The Daily Express*. In particular, Boko Haram in Nigeria, the Muslim Brotherhood in the United Kingdom and the recent EU Elections drew considerable media attention.



Douglas Murray on Sky News

After news broke of a series of formal amnesty settlements agreed upon by the PSNI and former IRA members, Douglas Murray, Associate Director of HJS and author of the bestselling *Bloody Sunday*, was invited by *Sky News* to comment on the moral implications of these agreements, and the wider role of justice, or lack thereof, in the Northern Ireland peace process.



Robin Simcox on Al Jazeera's Inside Story

In May, HJS Research Fellow Robin Simcox, was invited to appear on *Al Jazeera's 'Inside Story'* to debate a recent reform of immigration laws in the UK by the government, specifically the provision that British citizenship be stripped from those of foreign origin suspected of terrorism offences. Robin, an expert on al-Qaeda and the difficulty in bringing those suspected of terrorist offences to trial, challenged the view that the new law could constitute a fundamental infringement of the individual's civil rights, arguing that the reforms would be one of the many tools the government could deploy in the future in the fight against Islamic extremism in the UK.



Dr Alan Mendoza on CNBC



Dr Andrew Foxall on France 24

Amid growing turmoil in Ukraine following the Maidan Revolution, HJS Director Dr Alan Mendoza and Russia Studies Centre Director Dr Andrew Foxall, appeared on *CNBC*, *France 24*, *Sky News* and numerous other broadcast outlets to give their insight into the crisis. Dr Foxall and the Russia Studies Centre were regularly invited to comment on the ultimate goals of Russian foreign policy in Ukraine, the growing gulf between Moscow and the West, and the likely fate of Ukrainian democracy in the years to come. In addition to a plethora of media appearances, Dr Foxall was featured in the international press, with articles featured in *Forbes*, *Foreign Policy*, *The Financial Times*, *City A.M* and *World Affairs*.

Media continued



Davis Lewin on Sky News

In the wake of several bomb attacks and the kidnap of over 270 schoolgirls in Nigeria, the world's attention has shifted to the activities of the Islamist terror group, Boko Haram. HJS Research Director Olivier Guitta, and Political Director Davis Lewin, were called upon by *Sky News* on numerous occasions to comment on the growing profile of the kidnapped girls on social media and the effectiveness of the Nigerian government's efforts to find the hostages and halt the spread of the insurgency.



Olivier Guitta on Al Jazeera

After the announcement of an investigation into the activities of the Muslim Brotherhood in the UK by Prime Minister David Cameron, HJS Director of Research Olivier Guitta appeared on *Al Jazeera*, *Sky News* and *BBC Arabic* to discuss the group's history in the UK, as well as the attitude other countries have adopted with regards to the Brotherhood's activities. HJS commentary also appeared in the international press, with Douglas Murray writing in *The Spectator* and Olivier Guitta in *The Weekly Standard* and *Le Temps*.



OPINION

Osama bin Laden: Three years after Abbottabad

Osama bin Laden remains one of a kind but it does not mean al-Qaeda poses less of a threat.

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Robin Simcox is a Research Fellow at the Henry Jackson Society and an expert on terrorism, al-Qaeda and its affiliate groups, and national security.

In one of his multiple pieces for *Al Jazeera*, our resident expert on al-Qaeda, Robin Simcox, laid out the state of the group on the third anniversary of Osama Bin Laden's death, charting its evolution from an organisation run by a core leadership, to its fragmentation into regional affiliates. Robin clarified that while the structure of al-Qaeda may have changed, this process has not diminished its capacity to commit atrocities.

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Ukip is angry about immigration - but so are the voters

The latest controversial posters may strike a chord

Douglas Murray
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As the campaign to elect MEPs to the European Parliament heated up, coverage of Nigel Farage and UKIP reached ever greater heights. HJS Associate Director Douglas Murray followed the campaign closely in *The Times* and *The Spectator*, maintaining that the popularity of UKIP isn't rooted in a sinister impulse, but rather the public's antipathy to mass immigration and a European project that has long ceased to be fit for purpose.



HJS was called upon to comment on the incoming results of the EU elections with HJS Political Director Davis Lewin appearing on *EuroParl TV* live from Brussels, *BBC News*, and BBC Radio 4s *'The World Tonight'*. Davis discussed the findings of HJS's report, *'The Rise of 'Outsider' Parties in the 2014 EU Elections'* and said the elections laid bare a fundamental "democratic deficit" in the European Union. He went on to warn that the EU project is in danger and could lose its basic legitimacy if its institutions do not sufficiently respond to voter concerns on immigration, economic policy and sovereignty.

Coming up

Next quarter, The Henry Jackson Society will see the release of several major publications as well as numerous events scheduled in our Parliamentary diary. Here is a sneak preview of just a few you can expect to see in the coming months.

Publications



Iran: The Day After

How would a nuclear-armed Iran affect nuclear proliferation in the Middle East? Would it be more likely to close the Strait of Hormuz, severely destabilising international fuel prices? Would it be emboldened in its support for terrorist groups worldwide? Would the military options available to America, Britain and Israel be dramatically curtailed? Oren Kessler, Middle East Research Fellow, is currently examining these questions in his forthcoming report entitled, “*Iran: The Day After.*” The report will survey the dire geopolitical consequences a nuclear-armed Islamic Republic would pose to the region and the world - militarily, diplomatically, economically and beyond.

This report, informed by interviews with dozens of experts and officials in the West, the Persian Gulf and the Levant, and by HJS’s own exhaustive analysis, will address these critical questions and more.

Snowden and The Efficacy of Espionage



Edward Snowden, a former NSA contractor and CIA employee, stole approximately 1.7 million classified files last year. The Department of Defense estimates this was the largest theft of classified documents in US history. While only some of these documents have been put in the public domain, they have already had a huge political and media impact.

While there has been public discomfort at Snowden’s disclosures and call for significant reform, the expectation that intelligence agencies retain an unmatched ability to stop terrorist attacks remains. They are therefore in a particularly unenviable position: being asked to be less intrusive, more transparent and yet just as effective.

Robin Simcox’s study will explore, in an era where there is likely to be even greater calls for public transparency, whether espionage can retain its efficacy, and how public trust in the intelligence agencies’ activities can be rebuilt.



Russian Agression and The Crisis in Crimea

In light of Russia’s annexation of Crimea and the destabilisation of Ukraine, the Russia Studies Centre is undertaking an ambitious new strand of work on Russia’s foreign policy. Over the coming months, the RSC will publish a series of policy-orientated reports and original publications. The goal of these works is to deepen and broaden the focus on Russia’s foreign policy away from Ukraine toward other states in post-Soviet Eurasia. The programme of work will be organised around three main regions: Scandinavia and the Baltic; the Caucasus and Balkans; and Central Asia.

Coming up continued

Events



The Fifth Annual World Summit on Infrastructure Security

The Henry Jackson Society is pleased to be working with the EIS Council on yet another event in the Electric Infrastructure Summit Series. Bringing together policy makers and experts engaged on this issue at the very highest levels on both sides of the Atlantic, discussions will be held on cooperation and coordination in addressing “Black Sky Day” hazards; extraordinary and hazardous catastrophes utterly unlike the blue sky days during which utilities ideally operate.



The Shiite-Sunni Civil War: Where does it Come From? Where is it Heading?

The Henry Jackson Society will host Dr Hillel Fradkin, Senior Fellow and Director of the Centre on Islam, Democracy and the Future of the Muslim World at The Hudson Institute for an event in Parliament. Dr Fradkin will be discussing the visceral confrontation that has recently been renewed and which is a key component in Iran’s rise to regional hegemony.



Chinese Intrusions into Anglosphere Higher Education: Consequences for Freedom

The Henry Jackson Society will hear from Professor Thomas Cushman, Deffenbaugh de Hoyos Carlson Professor in the Social Sciences and Director of The Freedom Project at Wellesley College, on the practical and ethical issues posed by the increasing number of partnerships and exchange programmes between the British and American institutions of higher education and those in China.

The Butterfly Defect: How Globalisation Creates Systemic Risks and What To Do About It



To mark the launch of his latest book, *The Butterfly Defect: How Globalization Creates Systemic Risks, and What to Do about It*, Professor Ian Goldin, Professor of Globalisation and Development and Director of the Oxford Martin School at the University of Oxford, will be appearing in front of The Henry Jackson Society audience in Parliament to address the widening gap between systemic risks arising from global interconnectedness and their effective management.

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