

U.S. House of Representatives  
111<sup>th</sup> Congress

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MEMBER / OFFICER  
POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for meetings, speaking engagements, fact-finding trips or similar events in connection with official duties. You need not disclose government-funded or political travel on this form, or travel that is unrelated to official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report all privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with clause 5 of House Rule 25, complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. The Clerk is to make these forms available to the public as soon as possible after they are received.

1. Name of Traveler: Congressman Lloyd Doggett
2. a. Name of Accompanying Family Member (if any): Elizabeth Doggett  
 b. Relationship to Member/Officer:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Date of Departure and Date of Return: May 22-June 1, 2009  
 b. Dates at personal expense (if any): 4 days
4. Itinerary (cities of departure – destination – return): Washington, DC-Dubrovnik-Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): The Aspen Institute Congressional Program
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary):  
see attached agenda
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box):
  - a.  the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form completed by trip sponsor, including all attachments;
  - b.  the Traveler Form completed by the Member or officer; *and*
  - c.  the Committee on Standards' letter approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (Signify that statement is true by checking box):   
 b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

DOGGETT.

Congressman Lloyd Doggett

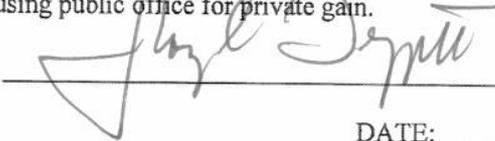
9. **TRIP EXPENSES:** Obtain actual dollar amounts from the sponsor. If exact dollar amounts are unavailable by the due date, provide a good faith estimate and file an amended form once the correct amounts are received.

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses
For Member or Officer:	\$2,906	\$1,650	\$500
For accompanying family member:	\$2,906	0	\$500

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Specific Nature of Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For Member or Officer:	\$50	airport transfer
For accompanying family member:	\$50	airport transfer

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses listed above were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or Officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER:



DATE:

6/8/09

## **Political Islam: Policy Challenges for the New Administration and the New Congress**

May 26-June 1, 2009  
Dubrovnik, Croatia

### **Tuesday, May 26**

Participants depart the United States

### **Wednesday, May 27**

Participants arrive

6:30-9:00pm Working Dinner

**Introduction to the Conference by Dick Clark**

(Seating is arranged to expose participants to diverse views and provide an opportunity for an exchange of ideas on conference topics. Scholars and lawmakers are rotated daily)

- MEETING SITE WILL BE THE VILLA ARGENTINA SALON - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor •

*Funding for this project is provided by the Asia, Ford, MacArthur, and Hewlett foundations, and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund*

## **Thursday, May 28**

8:00-9:00 am Breakfast buffet on the terrace  
(Scholars will meet for a briefing at a separate table)

9:00 am **Framework of the Conference**  
Dick Clark

9:15 am *Roundtable Discussion:*  
**Iran: Challenges for U.S. Policy**  
Karim Sadjadpour, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Iran may be the most difficult problem for the new administration and Congress in view of the advances made in the Iranian nuclear program, the intense concerns in Israel concerning Iranian intentions and the many on-the-record statements by U.S. officials saying that Iran cannot be allowed to build and deploy nuclear weapons. In addition, Iran remains a key player in the on-going conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan and is the key supporter of terrorist groups such as Hizbollah and Hamas. The policy issues include: A decision as to whether the U.S. should negotiate with Iran and under what conditions? At what point should the use of force be contemplated? Alternatively, can a new administration persuade Russia and China to adopt a more cooperative approach at the UN to pressure Iran to curb its nuclear program? What further pressure or incentives can the U.S. and Europe apply by themselves?

- How close is Iran to having a nuclear weapon?
- What incentives can the U.S. offer Russia and China to support tougher UN sanctions on Iran?
- How secure is the Iranian regime and how has the fall in oil prices effected its domestic programs?
- What would be the impact of a resumption of diplomatic relations between Iran and the U.S.?
- Are there areas of mutual cooperation including development, health and educational exchanges that could further improve the relationship?

10:45 am Coffee break

11:00 am Session resumes

12:15 pm Policy implications from the morning discussion  
(Members of Congress)

- 1:00 pm Working lunch on the terrace  
(Discussion continues)
- 2:30 pm Lunch concludes
- 3:00-4:00 pm Meetings will be scheduled between Members of Congress and individual scholars
- 7:00-9:00 pm Working Dinner  
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**Friday May 29**

- 8:00-9:00 am Breakfast buffet on the terrace
- 9:00 am *Roundtable Discussion:*  
**Iraq and the Future of the U.S. Presence in the Gulf**  
Paul Hughes, U.S. Institute of Peace

The new administration faces tough choices in planning its future strategy in Iraq and the Gulf. Its decisions and those of the Congress will take place against a backdrop of a financial crisis that will impact on all sectors of government, including the Department of Defense. Opponents of the war look for a speedy drawdown of U.S. forces on the ground; supporters are nervous that premature withdrawal could jeopardize the successes that have been achieved in the last year of combat. Beyond Iraq, the Gulf Arabs worry that the U.S. will tire of its open-ended protection of the region while the Iranian leadership yearns for the U.S. departure and the fulfillment of its own ambitions to be the dominant power in the region. The future U.S. presence must also take into account the importance of nurturing civil societies and more political transparency.

- As the high intensity of U.S. military involvement begins to wind down in Iraq, what will be the future role, both militarily and nonmilitarily, for the U.S.?
- What development challenges will Iraq face, and does the U.S. have a role to contribute to their success?
- Should the U.S. help foster the development of civil society, infrastructure needs, a restoration of modern health delivery and educational systems?
- Will the military achievements be jeopardized without a commensurate nonmilitary investment?

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**Saturday, May 30**

- 8:00-9:00 am Breakfast buffet on the terrace
- 9:00 am *Roundtable Discussion:*  
**Pakistan and Its Neighbors: U.S. Policy Priorities**  
Teresita Schaffer, Center for Strategic and International Studies

Managing relations with Pakistan ranks as one of the toughest challenges for the Obama administration. Pakistan's new democratic government is strongly pro-American and wants to work with Washington in defeating the Taliban in Afghanistan, reigning in its own terrorists and improving relations with India. But it faces major opposition from within, especially from radical Islamic groups and sections of the Pakistani military who still regard India as the prime enemy and are suspicious of American motives. The economy is in trouble and corruption still thrives. Thus American leaders have to proceed carefully in their efforts to promote more robust responses from Islamabad, especially on the question of using force against Taliban and al Qaeda elements still operating in Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA)

- How secure are Pakistan's democratic leaders? Are they capable of dealing with rogue elements within the Pakistan Army?
- What are the current mechanisms for controlling access and use of Pakistan's nuclear forces?

- What is the strength of the Islamic parties and what common goals do they share?
- How serious a setback were the Mumbai terrorist attacks to better relations between India and Pakistan?
- Should the U.S. reduce military aid to Pakistan and increase support for humanitarian programs including health and education?

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### **Sunday, May 31:**

8:00-9:00 am	Breakfast buffet on the terrace
9:00 am	<i>Roundtable Discussion:</i> <b>America, Democracy and the Arab World: The Balance Sheet</b> Michele Dunne, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

The new administration was elected with a dramatic display of American democracy at work. It comes at a time when the previous administration's efforts to promote democracy in the region have faced much criticism. Some believe the U.S. election—which has resonated throughout the Arab world—will reinforce Arab moderates who support more domestic political reform and transparency. How the U.S. disengages from Iraq and how it approaches the Arab-Israel conflict will be early tests as to whether hostility to U.S. policies has diminished.

- What has been the impact of the U.S. presidential election on Arab opinion and Arab support for political reform?
- Should the U.S. reinforce its democracy promotion agenda?
- How should the U.S. work with the rich Arab countries to spread wealth and benefits including health and education, to the poor Arab countries?
- How important are the factors of accessible and quality health care and education in maintaining stable and vibrant Arab societies, and is it in the U.S. national interest to help strengthen these services?
- Is U.S. policy in the Arab world more effective with soft power or hard power, or a combination of both?

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1:00 pm	Working lunch on the terrace (Discussion continues)
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### **Monday, June 1**

Participants depart this morning

TRAVEL DAY

**U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Standards of Official Conduct**

**PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM  
(provide directly to each House invitee)**

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1. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): The Aspen Institute Congressional Program (AICP)  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a federally-registered lobbyist or a registered foreign agent (*Signify that the statement is true by checking box*):
3. I represent that the trip sponsor(s) has not accepted from any other source funds earmarked directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip (*Signify that the statement is true by checking box*):
4. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?  Yes     No
5. Provide names and titles of ALL House invitees; for each invitee, provide explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): see attached list  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Dates of travel: May 26-June 1, 2009  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Cities of departure – destination – return: Washington, DC or home state to Dubrovnik, Croatia and return to either Washington, DC or home state.  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities taking place during the travel (*i.e.*, an hourly description of planned activities) (*Signify "yes" by checking box*):
9. I represent that (*check one of the following*):
  - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965:  *or*
  - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent:  *or*
  - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
10. If travel is for participation in a one-day event (*i.e.*, if you checked Question 9(c)), check one of the following:
  - a. N/A – I checked 9(a) or (b) above:
  - b. One-night's lodging and meals are being offered:  *or*
  - c. Two-nights' lodging and meals are being offered:   
If "c" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Check one:
- I represent that a federally-registered lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (*Signify that the statement is true by checking box*):  or
  - N/A – trip sponsor is an institution of higher education.
12. Private sponsors must have a direct and immediate relationship to the purpose of the trip or location being visited. Describe the purpose of the trip and the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:  
The Aspen Institute Congressional Program's purpose is to provide non-partisan educational forums for Members of Congress on public policy issues.
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13. a. Describe the mode of travel (air, rail, bus, etc.). For air travel, also indicate the type of aircraft (commercial, charter, or privately owned) and class of travel (coach, business class, first class, etc.):  
commercial airlines will be used; travel is provided in coach class and  
~~"special business" class if it is available on the international portions.~~
- b. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, provide an explanation describing why such travel is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_
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14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (*Signify that the statement is true by checking box*):
15. I represent that either (*check one of the following*):
- The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees:  or
  - The trip involves events that are arranged *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:   
 If "b" is checked, detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \_\_\_\_\_  
\$100 per person
16. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: This site provides easy access for all participants including those from the Middle East.
17. Name of hotel or other lodging facility: The Hotel Argentina
18. Cost per night of hotel or other lodging facility (approximate cost may be provided): \_\_\_\_\_  
\$330 per night
19. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility: security, conference facilities, telecommunications and reasonable costs.
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20. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$3,500	\$1,650	\$400
For each accompanying family member	\$3,500	0	\$400

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$100	airport transfers, ground transportation
For each accompanying family member	\$100	airport transfers, ground transportation

21. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

22. I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name and title: Dick Clark, Director, Congressional Program

Organization: The Aspen Institute

Address: One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036

Telephone number: 202-736-5825

Fax number: 202-785-2737

Email Address: dick.clark@aspeninstitute.org

The Committee staff may contact the above individual if additional information is required.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct  
 U.S. House of Representatives  
 HT-2, The Capitol  
 Washington, DC 20515  
 (202) 225-7103 (phone)  
 (202) 225-7392 (general fax)

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THE ASPEN INSTITUTE  
*Congressional Program*

**Attachment to Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form  
For Aspen Institute Conference May 26-June 1, 2009**

Question #5 on the Certification:

**Members of the House invited:**

1. Rep. Tom Cole, R-OK, member of the Appropriations Committee.
2. Rep. Susan Davis, D-CA, member of the Armed Services Committee
3. Rep. Diana DeGette, D-CO, member of the Energy and Commerce and Natural Resources Committees.
4. Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-TX, member of the Ways & Means Committee.
5. Rep. Maurice Hinchey, D-NY, member of the Appropriations, Natural Resources and Joint Economic Committees.
6. Rep. Rush Holt, D-NJ, member of the Select Committee on Intelligence.
7. Rep. Nita Lowey, D-NY, member of the Appropriations Committee.
8. Rep. George Miller, D-CA, member of the Resources Committee.
9. Rep. Jan Schakowsky, D-IL, member of the Select Committee on Intelligence.
10. Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-FL, member of the Energy and Commerce Committee.
11. Rep. Greg Walden, R-OR, member of the Energy and Commerce Committee.
12. Rep. Henry Waxman, D-CA, Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee.
13. Rep. Peter Welch, D-VT, member of the Energy and Commerce and Oversight and Government Reform Committees.
14. Rep. Ed Whitfield, R-KY, member of the Energy and Commerce Committee.

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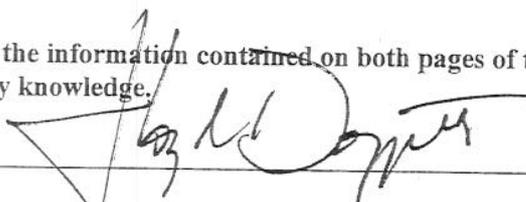
**PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM**  
**For Members, Officers, and Employees**

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Please type form. Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392.*

**YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 14 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE.** Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 14 days before the trip commences.

Name of Traveler: Lloyd Doggett

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For staff, name of employing Member/Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Office address: 201 Cannon HOB

Phone number: 202-225-4865

Email address of contact person: michael.mucchetti@mail.house.gov

- Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet and the traveler is a Member traveling to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 14 days before the trip departure date.

**NOTE: You must complete the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.**

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**PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM**

1. Name of Traveler: Lloyd Doggett
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): The Aspen Institute Congressional Program
3. Travel destination(s): Croatia
4. a. Date of Departure and Date of Return: 05/22/09 - 06/01/09  
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  Yes  No  
If yes, dates at personal expense: 05/22/09 - 05/26/09
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense?  Yes  No  
b. If yes, name of accompanying family member: Elizabeth Doggett  
c. Relationship to traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(c) on the Trip Sponsor form (*i.e.*, the travel is being sponsored by an entity that employs a lobbyist)?  Yes  No  
b. If yes, check one of the following:  N/A – Sponsor checked 9(a) or 9(b)  
(1) Approval for one-night's lodging and meals is being requested:  or  
(2) Approval for two-nights' lodging and meals is being requested:   
If "(2)" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments (*indicate that form is attached by checking box*):
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to your individual official or representational duties:  
It provides me a non-partisan, educational forum to study important public policy  
issues with scholars, experts and other members.

9. **FOR STAFF:**  
**TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Employing Member

**NOTE:** This page must be submitted with your post-travel disclosure form within 15 days of your return, so you should maintain a photocopy of the completed form for your records.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and title: Dick Clark, Director, Congressional Program

Organization: The Aspen Institute

Address: One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036

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**Attachment to Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form  
For Aspen Institute Conference May 26-June 1, 2009**  
Question #5 on the Certification:

**Members of the House invited:**

1. Rep. Tom Cole, R-OK, member of the Appropriations Committee.
2. Rep. Susan Davis, D-CA, member of the Armed Services Committee
3. Rep. Diana DeGette, D-CO, member of the Energy and Commerce and Natural Resources Committees.
4. Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-TX, member of the Ways & Means Committee.
5. Rep. Rush Holt, D-NJ, member of the Select Committee on Intelligence.
6. Rep. Nita Lowey, D-NY, member of the Appropriations Committee.
7. Rep. George Miller, D-CA, member of the Resources Committee.
8. Rep. Jan Schakowsky, D-IL, member of the Select Committee on Intelligence.
9. Rep. Greg Walden, R-OR, member of the Energy and Commerce Committee.
10. Rep. Henry Waxman, D-CA, Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee.
11. Rep. Ed Whitfield, R-KY, member of the Energy and Commerce Committee.

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## **Political Islam: Policy Challenges for the New Administration and the New Congress**

**THE ASPEN INSTITUTE CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM**

May 26-June 1, 2009

Dubrovnik, Croatia

*WITH REVISED DATES AS OF April 16*

### **Tuesday, May 26**

Participants depart the United States

### **Wednesday, May 27**

Participants arrive

6:30-9:00pm Working Dinner

#### **Introduction to the Conference by Dick Clark**

(Seating is arranged to expose participants to diverse views and provide an opportunity for an exchange of ideas on conference topics. Scholars and lawmakers are rotated daily)

• **MEETING SITE WILL BE THE VILLA ARGENTINA SALON - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor** •

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**THURSDAY, May 28:**

8:00-9:00 am Breakfast buffet on the terrace  
(Scholars will meet for a briefing in a separate area)

9:00 am **Framework of the Conference**  
Dick Clark

9:15 am *Roundtable Discussion:*  
**IRAN: CHALLENGES FOR U.S. POLICY**  
Karim Sadjadpour, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Iran may be the most difficult problem for the new administration and Congress in view of the advances made in the Iranian nuclear program, the intense concerns in Israel concerning Iranian intentions and the many on-the-record statements by U.S. officials saying that Iran cannot be allowed to build and deploy nuclear weapons. In addition, Iran remains a key player in the on-going conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan and is the key supporter of terrorist groups such as Hizbollah and Hamas. The policy issues include: A decision as to whether the U.S. should negotiate with Iran and under what conditions? At what point should the use of force be contemplated? Alternatively, can a new administration persuade Russia and China to adopt a more cooperative approach at the UN to pressure Iran to curb its nuclear program? What further pressure or incentives can the U.S. and Europe apply by themselves?

- How close is Iran to having a nuclear weapon?
- What incentives can the U.S. offer Russia and China to support tougher UN sanctions on Iran?
- How secure is the Iranian regime and how has the fall in oil prices effected its domestic programs?
- What would be the impact of a resumption of diplomatic relations between Iran and the U.S.?
- ~~Are there areas of mutual cooperation including development, health and educational exchanges that could further improve the relationship?~~

10:45 am Coffee break

11:00 am Session resumes

12:15 pm Policy implications from the morning discussion  
(Members of Congress)

1:00 pm Working lunch on the terrace  
(Discussion continues)

2:30 pm Lunch concludes

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3:00-4:00 pm Meetings will be scheduled between Members of Congress and individual scholars.

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**FRIDAY May 29:**

8:00-9:00 am Breakfast buffet on the terrace

9:00 am *Roundtable Discussion:*  
**IRAQ AND THE FUTURE OF THE U.S. PRESENCE IN THE GULF**  
Paul Hughes, U.S. Institute of Peace

The new administration faces tough choices in planning its future strategy in Iraq and the Gulf. Its decisions and those of the Congress will take place against a backdrop of a financial crisis that will impact on all sectors of government, including the Department of Defense. Opponents of the war look for a speedy drawdown of U.S. forces on the ground; supporters are nervous that premature withdrawal could jeopardize the successes that have been achieved in the last year of combat. Beyond Iraq, the Gulf Arabs worry that the U.S. will tire of its open-ended protection of the region while the Iranian leadership yearns for the U.S. departure and the fulfillment of its own ambitions to be the dominant power in the region. The future U.S. presence must also take into account the importance of nurturing civil societies and more political transparency.

- As the high intensity of U.S. military involvement begins to wind down in Iraq, what will be the future role, both militarily and nonmilitarily, for the U.S.?
- What development challenges will Iraq face, and does the U.S. have a role to contribute to their success?
- Should the U.S. help foster the development of civil society, infrastructure needs, a restoration of modern health delivery and educational systems?
- Will the military achievements be jeopardized without a commensurate nonmilitary investment?

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**SATURDAY, May 30:**

8:00-9:00 am Breakfast buffet on the terrace

9:00 am *Roundtable Discussion:*

**PAKISTAN AND ITS NEIGHBORS: U.S. POLICY PRIORITIES**

Teresita Schaffer, Center for Strategic and International Studies

Managing relations with Pakistan ranks as one of the toughest challenges for the Obama administration. Pakistan's new democratic government is strongly pro-American and wants to work with Washington in defeating the Taliban in Afghanistan, reigning in its own terrorists and improving relations with India. But it faces major opposition from within, especially from radical Islamic groups and sections of the Pakistani military who still regard India as the prime enemy and are suspicious of American motives. The economy is in trouble and corruption still thrives. Thus American leaders have to proceed carefully in their efforts to promote more robust responses from Islamabad, especially on the question of using force against Taliban and al Qaeda elements still operation in Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA)

- How secure are Pakistan's democratic leaders? Are they capable of dealing with rogue elements within the Pakistan Army?
- What are the current mechanisms for controlling access and use of Pakistan's nuclear forces?
- What is the strength of the Islamic parties and what common goals do they share?
- How serious a setback were the Mumbai terrorist attacks to better relations between India and Pakistan?
- Should the U.S. reduce military aid to Pakistan and increase support for humanitarian programs including health and education?

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**MONDAY, June 1:**

Participants depart this morning

TRAVEL DAY

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Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct hereby approves your proposed trip for you and your spouse to Croatia scheduled for May 22 to June 1, 2009 sponsored by the Aspen Institute Congressional Program. We note that this trip includes four days at your personal expense.

You must complete a Member Travel Disclosure Form and file it with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are required to attach a copy of this letter and the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, including attachments. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$335 from a single source on Schedule VII of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act, gifts "of minimal value [currently \$335] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of \$335 received from a foreign government by you or your spouse must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

  
Zoe Lofgren  
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