

**MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

I am very happy to learn that the focus of this year's UK-Canada Colloquium will be "Social Cohesion: New Challenges to the Established Order". Diversity is a real strength of this country, both economically and culturally. As Britain grows more diverse and globalisation brings new patterns of migration, there are new challenges affecting parts of the country who may not have experienced them before.

The report from the 10-month review by the independent Commission on Integration and Cohesion, which looked at the how local areas can build their own capacity to reduce tensions and create opportunities for more integrated and cohesive societies, made clear the country faces new and complex challenges in ensuring that we maintain resilient and united communities.

Last month I announced a 10 point action plan to promote cohesion and tackle community tensions including £50million of new investment over the next three years for local areas to respond to their own particular challenges. This is the first part in the Government's response to the Commission.

New data from the Citizenship Survey has confirmed the Commission's finding that Britain remains cohesive so there is a lot to be positive about. However, there are still new and often complex challenges that require action nationally and locally in order to bring communities together, promote interaction between people from different backgrounds while promoting our shared British values like respect for the rule of law, tolerance and fairness.

Your Colloquium provides an excellent opportunity for participants from the UK and Canada to exchange information and ideas on all of these issues, and to learn lessons from each other's policies and programmes.

I wish you a highly successful and stimulating colloquium.

**THE RT HON HAZEL BLEARS MP
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR COMMUNITIES
AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

WELCOME TO THE 2007 CANADA-UNITED KINGDOM COLLOQUIUM

As hosts this year in our Canada-United Kingdom series of annual colloquia on topical issues, the British Committee are pleased that the 2007 Colloquium will address the question of “Social Cohesion: New Challenges to the Established Order”.

Social cohesion goes to the very core of an increasingly urbanised society, where for many years multiculturalism has been viewed as the most effective way of fostering harmony in the community, whether at a national, regional or local level. Is multiculturalism still the answer or are there other ways gaining momentum? I hope that in our sessions together we will find an answer, perhaps many differing answers, to this challenge.

As an introduction to the scene in Britain, our Canadian colleagues will have spent the day preceding the Colloquium making visits in Birmingham to see how local communities there are dealing with the day-to-day issues that are relevant to one of today’s biggest social issues. Our thanks are due to Birmingham City Council for organising these visits.

Few would doubt that there are at present many areas in the UK where social cohesion is under strain. To meet this challenge, should the indigenous population adapt its traditional ways to accommodate new cultural influences which may be seen to be alien to the established order, or should those who see the established order as conflicting with their cultural and religious creeds be expected to conform with the majority? This dilemma is accentuated in Britain, perhaps even caused, by migration from many different countries into a crowded island with what many consider a creaking infrastructure. The picture in Canada may show a sharp contrast due to different priorities caused in part by its place in the new world and a radically different geography.

Are the demographic changes in the UK and Canada in recent years a symptom of the emergence of a globalised 21st century society in which the need for economic progress, even survival, has dictated an overt policy of immigration? Does this mean that national identity will diminish and, if so, what are the moral and political codes by which people will want to lead their lives? In the case of Britain are the strains due to an increasingly secular society that pervades day-to-day life in a country where much emphasis is placed on individuality, and are

these characteristics replicated in Canada? I look forward to hearing how the issue of identity is being addressed in Canada, where the historical roots of immigration are in marked contrast to those in the UK.

There will be as many views as to what the answers should be as there are questions but the all important task in society is to find answers that will resonate in the community and make a positive difference. I hope that our discussions will be stimulating and that we each come away with a clear idea of where as a group we consider the debate should go and what initiatives could be taken to encourage more social cohesion.

I should like to thank my colleagues on the British Committee and Queens University for their energy and enthusiasm in planning this colloquium, Baroness Ruth Deech for agreeing to chair the sessions, Professor Francis Robinson for agreeing to act as rapporteur, and to extend a warm welcome to all participants who will be joining the debate over the next two days.

Grateful thanks are also due to all those who have given their support to this year's Colloquium. We are indebted in particular to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Victor Dahdaleh, the Home Office, the Department for Communities and Local Government, the Canadian High Commission, the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade and to our partners at Queens especially Bob Wolfe and his team of advisers in Canada, among them Naomi Alboim, Keith Banting, Mel Cappe and Senator Hugh Segal.

Philip Peacock
Chairman, British Committee
Canada-United Kingdom Colloquia

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 14th November

Afternoon Canadian participants arrive in Birmingham.

Check in to Novotel Hotel,
70 Broad Street, Birmingham B1 2HT
Telephone + 44 (0) 121 643 2000.

Evening Free time.

Overnight stay in Birmingham.

Thursday 15th November

Birmingham day (see separate programme Page 7)

UK participants arrive

7.45pm for

8.00pm Dinner hosted by Councillor Alan Rudge, Cabinet Member
for Equalities and Human Resources, Birmingham City
Council.

The Opus Restaurant, 54 Cornwall Street, Birmingham,
B3 2DE (Tel 0121 200 2323).

10.00pm (approx) Depart by coach for Ardencote Hotel, Lye Green Road, Claverdon, Nr
Warwick CV35 8LT (Tel 01926 843111).

Friday 16th November

THE 2007 CANADA-UK COLLOQUIUM

SOCIAL COHESION: NEW CHALLENGES TO THE ESTABLISHED ORDER

Chairman: The Baroness Deech DBE, Hon LLD
Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education

The Arden Suite, Ardencote Manor Hotel

9.00am Opening of colloquium

Mr Philip Peacock, Chairman of the UK Committee, and Professor Robert Wolfe, Canadian organiser will say a few words of welcome and hand over to the Chairman

9.15am *Session 1: Social Inclusion: Current Challenges*

UK: Ms Sukhvinder Stubbs: Chief Executive of the Barrow Cadbury Trust
Canada: Professor Keith Banting CM: School of Policy Studies, Queen's University

10.45am *Coffee*

11.00am *Session 2: The Security Challenge*

UK: Mr Robert Whalley CB: Consultant Senior Fellow, International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)
Canada: Mr Jim Judd: Director, Canadian Security and Intelligence Service

12.45pm *Lunch*

2.00pm *Session 3: Engaging with Muslim Communities*

UK: Professor Tariq Ramadan: Oxford University
Canada: Professeure Denise Helly: Institut national de recherche scientifique, Montréal

3.30pm *Tea*

3.45pm *Session 4: Beyond Multiculturalism: The Challenges of Multiple Identities*

UK: Mr Trevor Phillips OBE: Chair, Equality and Human Rights Commission
Canada: Professor Robert Wolfe: School of Policy Studies, Queen's University*
*Professor Wolfe's paper will be written in collaboration with Professor Roderick Macdonald of McGill University

7.30pm **The Colloquium Dinner**

Palms Conservatory Ardenote Manor Hotel

Speaker: Hon. Jason Kenney, PC, MP (Calgary South): Secretary of State for Multiculturalism and Canadian Identity.

Saturday 17th November

9.00am *Session 5: Competing Sources of Authority in a Pluralist Society*

UK: His Honour Judge Mota Singh QC (Retd.)
Canada: Hon. Marion Boyd: former Attorney- General of Ontario, Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada

10.30am *Coffee*

10.45am *Session 6: New Approaches*

UK: Professor Mona Siddiqui FRSE, FRSA: Glasgow University
Canada: Hon. Senator Mobina Jaffer, Senate of Canada (Representing the Province of
 British Columbia)

12.45pm *Lunch*

2.00pm **Rapporteur's report**

Professor Francis Robertson CBE: Royal Holloway, University of London

4.00pm Organisers' Meeting

6.00pm Coach to Stratford-upon-Avon

Free time to visit Shakespearean landmarks in the centre of Stratford-upon-Avon

7.30pm **Informal farewell dinner Mercure Shakespeare Hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon.**

Sunday 18th November

7.30am Coach to Heathrow departs

All participants depart after breakfast

BIRMINGHAM DAY: 15th NOVEMBER 2007

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Evening Free time.

Overnight stay in Birmingham.

Thursday 15th November

Breakfast in hotel.

9.45am Walk to Council House, Victoria Square.

10.00am Arrive Council House. Meet in Chamberlain Room for

Presentation by Mashuq Ally, Head of Equalities, Birmingham City Council
on the Birmingham Story.

11.00am Break

11.15am Depart by coach for:

The Muath Trust, The Bordesley Centre, Stratford Road, Camp
Hill, Birmingham B11 1AR. (Tel 0121 753 0297).

To be joined by Birmingham community and faith
representatives for a round table discussion on Birmingham's work on social
cohesion.

Lunch at the Bordesley Centre.

Tour of Birmingham projects to include:

1.30pm to
3.00pm Sikh Gurdwara, 14 – 20 Soho Road, Handsworth, Birmingham
B21 9BH. (Tel 0121 558 9048).

Depart by coach for:

3.30pm Ghamkol Sharaif Mosque, 150 Golden Hillock Road, Small

Heath, Birmingham B10 ODX. (Tel 0121 773 7277). For tours of the:

- a) Midnight Bus for the socially disengaged.
- b) Mosque.
- c) Women's projects.

5.30pm Depart by coach for

6.000pm Light refreshments at Equalities Division, Congreve House, 3 Congreve Passage, B3 3DA. (Tel 303 2627).

7.30pm Coach from Congreve House for:

7.45pm for
8.00pm Dinner hosted by Councillor Alan Rudge, Cabinet Member for Equalities and Human Resources, Birmingham City Council at:

The Opus Restaurant, 54 Cornwall Street, Birmingham B3 2DE. (Tel 0121 200 2323).

10.00pm Depart by coach for Ardencote Hotel, Claverdon.
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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

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Royal Holloway, University of London

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Professor Robert Wolfe
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SPEAKER: CIVIC DINNER 15 NOVEMBER

Councillor Alan Rudge
Cabinet Member, Equalities and Human Resources, Birmingham City Council.

SPEAKER: COLLOQUIUM DINNER 16 NOVEMBER

Hon. Jason Kenny, PC, MP
MP (Calgary South): Secretary of State for Multiculturalism and Canadian Identity.

BRITISH SPEAKERS (in order of presentation)

Ms Sukhvinder Stubbs
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ABSTRACTS

Session 1: Social Inclusion: Current Challenges

Ms Sukhvinder Stubbs: Chief Executive of the Barrow Cadbury Trust

Synopsis of presentation: To create a more cohesive Britain, policy makers and practitioners need to improve the life chances of disadvantaged Black and minority ethnic people. Furthermore, we need to help foster meaningful ‘habits of solidarity’ between different communities.

Summary of argument: For the West’s major urban centres, ethnic diversity is the reality, whether through immediate presence or sheer inevitability.

We therefore need to reframe the debate away from simply “stopping immigration” to focus on the practical consequences of changing communities and finding positive solutions to the challenges they present.

We need to move beyond theoretical debates about symbolism, identity politics and ‘Britishness’ and turn our attention to the public policy questions around achieving a genuinely integrated society.

We need a renewed emphasis on bread and butter issues – on the disadvantage, poverty and squeezed public services that drive conflict and dissatisfaction among marginalised communities.

As Britain becomes ever more plural, we also need to make an extra effort to ensure its cohesiveness. Tackling inequality and discrimination, while a crucial component part, is not a magic potion that ensures everyone gets along with everyone else.

To this end, Barrow Cadbury supports voluntary groups that help foster ‘habits of solidarity’ between people of different ethnic, religious and social backgrounds.

Professor Keith Banting CM: School of Policy Studies, Queen’s University

“Belonging? Social Integration in Canada.”

Until recently, Canadians have not worried about the social integration of newcomers, and have often been puzzled by the intensity of debates elsewhere. Multicultural policies have enjoyed substantial political consensus, and occasional challengers have found little traction in political debates. But cracks in Canadian equanimity seem to be appearing. Do Canadians have reason to be worried? This talk presents recent evidence, using a variety of measures of social integration. The evidence tells a cautiously optimistic story. All is not perfect, to be sure. Canadians are grappling with many of the challenges facing other countries, and much debate centres on the social integration of the second generation. Nevertheless, there is little evidence of enduring fault lines between the “old” and “new” Canadians. Indeed, the deep divisions still seem to be within the ranks of the “old,” as Quebec francophones and Aboriginal Canadians remain less integrated in the country. In contrast, the social trajectories

among immigrant communities seem less troubling. So far, at least, Canada seems to be coping with the challenges of postmodernity. The bigger challenges stem from its premodern phase.

Session 2: The Security Challenge

Mr Robert Whalley CB, Consultant Senior Fellow, International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)

Robert Whalley will discuss the security challenge from the UK standpoint. He will assess the threat from international terrorism and the response of the UK since 9/11, covering the intelligence, policy and operational dimensions. The ways in which this threat has presented itself and developed in the intervening period, and the recent involvement of UK citizens, are a prime focus of concern. Strategies in response require the greatest care and have met with varying degrees of success. Robert Whalley will discuss some of the issues which he faced in Government when seeking to develop dialogue with leaders of Muslim communities and will look forward to ways in which dialogue, trust and engagement, as central themes of the Colloquium may be further developed.

Mr Jim Judd, Director: Canadian Security and Intelligence Service

Session 3: Engaging with Muslim Communities

Professor Tariq Ramadan, Oxford University

Professeure Denise Helly: Institut national de recherche scientifique, Montréal

Denise Helly will speak of the Canadian context: religious minority rights, and Muslim social experience and political participation. She will describe Canada's very distinctive ways of legally protecting religious minorities (hate crimes legislation, multiculturalism Program, Employment Equity programs, etc.), as well as the factors that impair Canadian Muslims' fair participation in society (cultural, ethnic and religious fragmentation, discriminations, modernist lobbies mobilization...).

Session 4: Beyond Multiculturalism: The Challenges of Multiple Identities

Mr Trevor Phillips OBE, Chair, Equality and Human Rights Commission

In our modern, globalised world the movement of capital across the planet is being paralleled by the movement of people. We live in an era of unprecedented social and cultural diversity. One aspect of this new age of difference is the phenomenon of 'plural cities' - cities where no one group holds the demographic majority. This heralds a new dimension to the challenge of multiple identities. Toronto and Vancouver in Canada, and Birmingham and Leicester in the UK, are fast becoming such cities.

Professor Robert Wolfe, School of Policy Studies, Queen's University and Professor Roderick Macdonald, F.R. Scott Professor of Constitutional and Public Law, McGill University

Plural societies cannot create national mythologies or a shared identity based on language, ethnicity, or culture. In the case of Canada, our national project is defined by policy, by the things we have chosen to do together. The policies that shape our collective enterprise sometimes begin as an elite project, but they only work when they are appropriated by citizens as their own. Successful governments both wrap themselves in these collective understandings, and find ways to build upon them. Sir John A. Macdonald's "National Policy" of 1879 was a successful election slogan, one that captures our imagination more than a century later, but its core elements were already well established in the policies necessary to create a country that extended across a continent. The second national policy took over in the middle of the last century, as successive governments created a welfare state. In the last 25 years, a third national policy has begun to emerge, one that attempts to unite Canadians in a collective project that puts our continental country and the institutions of the welfare state in the service of individual citizens. While no politician has yet given us an enduring label for this 21st century national policy, its components (1) facilitate agency; (2) privilege real choice about identity; (3) attempt to stabilize multiple, fluid identities; (4) broaden lateral interest-based affiliations rather than totalizing institutions; (5) unbundle programmes and services managed by centralized bureaucracies. In this emerging collective project, "multicultural" applies to all of us, not to designated minorities. The objective is autonomy with mutual obligation for all citizens without asking the state to choose among their multiple overlapping identities as Muslim, female, working class, or francophone. Where the second national policy assumed that in some respects we are all the same, the third assumes that we are all different. Both assumptions should lead to the conclusion that we're all in it together.

Dinner Ardencote Manor Hotel; Friday 16th November

Hon. Jason Kenney, PC, MP (Calgary South): Secretary of State for Multiculturalism and Canadian Identity.

Questions of identity, diversity, and pluralism remain at the heart of the Canadian experience. Managing the right balance between integration, social cohesion, and the cherished vibrancy of migrant cultures and religions of first-, second- and even third-generation Canadians, within the country's continuing bilingual framework, is an ongoing challenge for the makers of Canada's multiculturalism policy.

Session 5: Competing Sources of Authority in a Pluralist Society

His Honour Judge Mota Singh QC (Retd.)

"Social cohesion" envisages pluralism, diversity. In general terms pluralism means the affirmation and acceptance of diversity. The concept is used in a wide range of issues like religion, science and politics. In politics, it is popularly known as political pluralism. Political pluralism is the affirmation of diversity in the interests and beliefs of the citizenry. It is one of the most important features of modern representative democracy. Political pluralism is an effective form of running and governing a heterogeneous country. It allows the accommodation of the diverse aspirations that emerge from the

diverse constituencies. However, for pluralism to function and to be successful in defining the common good, all groups or constituents must agree to a minimal consensus regarding shared values. Mutual respect and tolerance become the most important values to keep political pluralism in place. Migrations facilitated by the modern technological revolution have diluted the character of the nation state and introduced new diversities and particularities in several societies. In Third World countries, years of neglect of various cultural communities, at times their brutal suppression, and the failure of the nation state to project to deliver the goods has made pluralism a major source of tension, conflict and violence.

Economic globalization has made its contribution to compounding the problem of pluralism. It has led to both homogenization and marginalization. Diversities cannot and must not be suppressed, ignored or bypassed. To do so would give rise to resistance, conflict and withdrawal from the nation state.

Britain is a democracy in which Parliament, elected by the majority, makes laws applicable to all. Respect for the rule of law is a principle on which our nation stands. There have been number inroads into that sovereignty - which effectively render Parliamentary supremacy as largely symbolic. International treaty obligations by our accession to the Treaty of Rome; membership of the EU is derogation from parliamentary sovereignty in practice. Has Europe usurped that supremacy? The effect of that is that laws by Parliament are now not only subject to scrutiny by the Courts but also by the Courts in Europe. I started off by referring to Britain's pluralist society. Is there another threat to Parliamentary democracy by reason, e.g., of claims by members or groups of certain ethnic minorities? Is this a valid, relevant aspect to consider?

I am an inveterate believer in and unrepentant advocate of multi-culturalism. Jenkins' definition has served us well. Why jettison it merely because a section, a small section of the population, thinks differently? You cannot divorce plurality from multiculturalism. Racial and ethnic groups, national minorities, aboriginals, women, sexual minorities and other groups have organized to highlight injustice and demand recognition and accommodation on the basis of their differences. Need to examine how different theories of citizenship address the challenges raised by different forms of pluralism. Any competing "sources of authority"? What are they? Sources of alienation. Sharia law, not a problem, not something that divides people. UK is a mature democracy which respects fundamental rights. Position in Canada different; it has a written constitution. A Charter of fundamental rights is enshrined in the constitution.

Hon. Marion Boyd: former Attorney- General of Ontario, Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada

In a liberal democracy, the goal of multiculturalism is to incorporate minority cultural and religious groups into mainstream political and legal processes, while creating a genuine sense of social integration and shared values. A majority of citizens and immigrants in Canada identify closely with the values of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the rule of law as determined by a democratically elected government. A minority seems wedded to religious and cultural traditions of authority which bear little resemblance to these values either in theory or in practice. Using the example of dispute resolution in family law, Marion Boyd argues that a commitment to the notion of transformational accommodation is essential if we are to promote the inclusion of minority communities, while still ensuring that the rights and choices of individual members of those communities are protected.

Session 6: New Approaches

Professor Mona Siddiqui FRSE, FRSA: Glasgow University

We have to be clear that we are speaking of multiple backgrounds, multiple languages and multiple allegiances when we speak of Muslim communities in Britain. We need to acknowledge that for many people citizenship means little other than physically living in Britain. We also have to acknowledge that international politics will continue to influence people's attitudes to loyalty and belonging. The challenge then is how to make people feel that they have an emotional investment in this country. People don't necessarily feel alienated but they often feel that the wider culture, its laws, arts and media are not part of their world. An understanding of aspects of Islam does not mean that we should instate Sharia law in any form. What is needed is a more systematic involvement by the state to show these communities that they are part of wider civil society and have a role in Britain's future.

Hon. Senator Mobina Jaffer, Senate of Canada (Representing the Province of British Columbia)

Reducing Alienation from Collective Institutions and National Policies: Canadian Approaches

The recognition and accommodation of diversity have played a central role in Canadian political history, and have been reflected in policies and programs emphasizing a multicultural image of Canada. However, recent trends in immigration patterns combined with growing inequality and an evolving balance between security and civil liberties are testing the limits of the status quo. This presentation samples a range of approaches in media, the private sector and civil society – both as a result of mandatory employment equity practices and voluntary initiatives – which are helping to strengthen and incrementally build the pluralist nature of Canadian society.

BRITISH BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Maqsood Ahmed was appointed as Adviser to the Home Office in the Faith Communities Unit in 2003. One of the primary roles of this Unit was to engage with all Faith communities. Maqsood works closely with the Muslim and other faith communities on inter-faith work. This Unit transferred to the Communities and Local Government during the last Machinery of Government in May 2006 and is now called the Preventing Extremism Unit under the Equalities directorate dealing directly on the PREVENT agenda. He was awarded an OBE for the groundbreaking work as the first Muslim Adviser to the HM Prison Service. He opened up the Prison Chaplaincy to reflect the ethnic representation in Prisons. Now you will find most Prisons have chaplains of all religions who provide pastoral care to prisoners. Maqsood's background includes working on anti-poverty, racial equality in his career with Leicester Law Centre, Watford Borough Council for 15 years. He is a trustee and founding member of the Drug, Alcohol Awareness Project in Ealing West London (DAAP) and an executor member of Leicester Central Mosque/Islamic Centre Leicester. Maqsood is passionate about the drug and alcohol abuse and its effects on the BME throughout the UK but in particular on the faith groups who need a capacity building to deal with the issue in partnership with mainstream providers.

Yasmin Alibhai-Brown came to this country in 1972 from Uganda. She completed her M.Phil. in literature at Oxford in 1975. She is a journalist who has written for *The Guardian*, *Observer*, *The New York Times*, *Time Magazine*, *Newsweek*, *The Evening Standard*, *the Mail* and other newspapers and is now a regular columnist on *The Independent* and London's *Evening Standard*. She is also a radio and television broadcaster and author of several books. Her book, *No Place Like Home*, well received by critics, was an autobiographical account of a twice removed immigrant. From 1996 to 2001 she was a Research Fellow at the Institute for Public Policy Research which published *True Colours* on the role of government on racial attitudes. Tony Blair launched the book in March 1999. She is a senior fellow at the Foreign Policy Centre. In 2000 she published, *Who Do We Think We Are?* recently published in the US too, an acclaimed book on the state of the nation and another book, *After Multiculturalism* which looks at the globalised future. She advises various key institutions on race matters. She is also a regular international public speaker in Britain, other European countries, North America and Asian nations. In 2001 came the publication of the paperback of *Who Do we Think We Are?* and *Mixed Feelings*, a book on mixed race Britons which has been praised by all those who have reviewed it to date. In June 1999, she received an honorary degree from the Open University for her contributions to social justice. She is the President of the Institute of Family Therapy. She is married with a twenty nine year old son and fourteen year old daughter. In 2001 she was appointed an MBE for services to journalism in the New Year's honours list. In July 2003 Liverpool John Moore's University made her an Honorary Fellow. In 2003 she returned her MBE as a protest against the new imperial and illegal war in Iraq. In September 2004, she was awarded an honorary degree by the Oxford Brookes University. In April 2004, her film on Islam for Channel 4 won an award and in May 2004, she received the EMMA award for best print journalist for her columns in the Independent. In September 2004, a collection of her journalistic writings, *Some of My Best Friends Are* was published by Politicos. In 2005/6 she went on stage with her one woman show, written and performed by her, commissioned and directed by the Royal Shakespeare Company as part of their new work festival. In 2006 the show had two London runs and went to other locations. It was highly praised by the Times, Independent and local paper critics. In 2007 the show was taken

to India – to great acclaim- and is about to go on another British tour. In 2005, she was voted the 10th most influential black/Asian woman in the country in a poll and in another she was among the most powerful Asian media professionals in the UK. The show tours India and the UK in 2007. She is currently writing a food/historical memoir on her life as an East African Asian, twice removed migrants. She has won a number of prestigious awards for writing and journalism.

Mashuq Ally was appointed Head of Equality and Diversity for Birmingham City Council in May 2005, having been its Interim Manager since September 2004. He is also the Operational Lead in the Council for Community Cohesion and Vice Chairman of Birmingham Reducing Gang Violence (BRGV) as well as the Lead for Tackling Extremism. Dr Ally has a long career in Equalities since previous to coming to work in Birmingham he was the first Head of the Commission for Racial Equality in Wales since the devolve governments were created. He has also been Director of the South East Wales Racial Equality Council and advised the National Assembly for Wales on its Race Equality programme. Dr Ally, before taking formal posts in equalities, has a long and distinguished career in Higher Education where he was Senior Lecturer and the Dean for the Faculty of Arts in the University of Wales, Lampeter where he was also Director for the Centre of Islamic Studies. Dr Ally also has a long history working in the not-for-profit area where he has been involved in the establishment of a number of voluntary sector bodies, such as the National Association of Asian Youth and the Newport Equalities and Citizenship Council. Dr Ally has extensive experience in Inter Faith work, particularly in the formation of the Centre for the Study of Islam and Christian – Muslim Relations, when it was at Selly Oak Colleges. He was involved in the Jewish-Christian-Muslim Standing Conference and established the Inter-Faith Council for Wales. He has been a regular contributor to BBC Wales Weekend Word and for sometime a contributor to the BBC World Service on faith matters.

Muhammad Anwar is Research Professor at the Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations (CRER), University of Warwick, and previously Director of CRER, 1989-94, Head of Research at the Commission for Racial Equality, 1981-89. UK Representative on the EU's COST A2 (Migration) Management Committee 1992-97. since 1009 he has been a Member of the Commission on the Future of Multi-Ethnic Britain. He has written extensively on ethnic and race relations. His publications include: *Between Two Cultures* (1976) London: Community Relations Commission; *The Myth of Return* (1979) London: Heinemann. *Race and Politics* (1986) London: Tavistock; *Black and Ethnic Leaderships in Britain* (1991) London: Routledge, (edited with P Webner); *British Pakistanis* (1996) Birmingham: Pakistan Forum and Birmingham City Council; *Between Cultures* (1998) London: Routledge and *From Legislation to Integration?* (2000) Macmillan, (edited with P Roach and R Sondhi).

Rob Beckley is Deputy Chief Constable for Avon and Somerset Constabulary, a police force of 5000 officers and staff in the West of England, covering South Gloucestershire, Bristol, Bath and Somerset. His police career started in the Metropolitan Police where he had operational roles in a number of inner city divisions before becoming Head of Race and Minority Policy at New Scotland Yard. He moved to Thames Valley Police where he was BCU Commander for Chilton Vale Area, the southern half of Buckinghamshire and then on to Hertfordshire Constabulary as Assistant Chief Constable (Crime and Operations). He sat on the ACPO Race and Diversity Committee on Terrorism & Allied Matters for several years

and had policy responsibility for faith issues as well as setting up and leading the National Community Tensions Team in its work in respect of community cohesion, public disorder and the community strand of the National counter terrorism strategy. Before joining the police Rob spent almost four years in aid and development work, primarily in Africa. He maintains a keen interest in international affairs, is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and is an enthusiastic cyclist, both on-road and mountain biking. He is married with three sons.

Rachel Briggs is Head of Demos' Identity Programme, which focuses on the rise of identity within the political process, radicalization and radical politics, effective strategies for integration and cohesion, and participation and empowerment. She is currently conducting a major research project on the relationship between violent and non-violent radicalization in the UK, France, Netherlands and Denmark, and has recently written on the role of dissent and debate as tools for cohesion. Rachel has written a number of reports, which have impacted on government and business policy, including, *Bringing it Home: Community-based approaches to counter-terrorism*; *Cultural Diplomacy: The role of culture in international relations*; *The Business of Resilience: Corporate security for the 21st century*; *Joining Forces: From national security to networked security*; *The Unlikely Counter-Terrorists* (ed); *16 Days: The role of the Olympic Truce in the toolkit for peace*; *Travel Advice*; *The Kidnapping Business*; and *Healthy Travel: Effective communication to improve travel health outcomes*. Rachel is an Associate Editor of *Renewal* journal, on the editorial board for the peer-review journal *Travel Medicine and Infectious Diseases* and is an advisor to the charity Hostage UK whose chair is Terry Waite. She is a member of the Steering Group for the FCO's Global Opportunity Fund, a member of the Advisory Council of Wilton Park, and a member of the Council of The Risk and Security Management Forum. Rachel has been at Demos for four years. She was previously Head of International Strategy, responsible for devising and implementing Demos' international strategy and building its international network. Before joining Demos she ran the Risk and Security Research Programme at The Foreign Policy Centre for five years.

Andrew Burns is Hon President of the annual Canada/UK Colloquia and was British High Commissioner to Canada from 2000 to 2003. He is Chairman of the Council of Royal Holloway, University of London and Deputy Chairman of the Committee of University Chairmen. He is also Chairman of the Hestercombe Gardens Trust in Somerset. In 2005-06 he was the International Governor on the Board of the BBC. He was a career member of the British Diplomatic Service from 1965 to 2003, serving as British Ambassador to Israel (1992-1995), Deputy Under-Secretary of State at the FCO (1995-1997) and Consul-General in Hong Kong and Macau (1997-2000). His other diplomatic postings included India, Romania and the US where he was Head of British Information Services in 1983-86. He is a Director of the JPMorgan Chinese Investment Trust, a member of the British-North American Committee and Chairman of the Advisory Council of British Expertise (formerly the British Consultants and Contractors Bureau (BCCB)). He is a Trustee of the UK branch of the International Polar Foundation and of the UK Foundation of the University of British Columbia. He held a visiting Fellowship at Harvard University's Centre for International Affairs in 1982/3.

Anthony Cary joined the FCO in 1973, out of Oxford University. He has served in Berlin (as a political adviser to the then British Military Government); in the FCO Policy Planning Staff in London; as Private Secretary to Malcolm Rifkind and also to Lynda Chalker when they were Ministers at the FCO; as Head of Chancery (roughly Chief of Staff) in the British High

Commission in Kuala Lumpur; as deputy head of Leon Brittan's *cabinet* in the European Commission in Brussels; as Head of the FCO's European Union Department (internal); as a Counsellor in the British Embassy in Washington DC responsible for Congressional relations, with a particular involvement in the Northern Ireland Peace Process; as head of Chris Patten's *cabinet* in the European Commission in Brussels; as Ambassador in Stockholm; and, since February 2007, as High Commissioner in Ottawa. In 1980/81 he took a career break to take an MBA at Stanford Business School on a Harkness Fellowship. He married Clare Elworthy in 1975. They have three sons (Sam, Tom and Arthur) and a daughter (Harriet) - all now in their 20s.

Peter Chenery joined the British Council's overseas service in 1970, after University unravelling Modern History and another three informative years teaching in a rural secondary school in Ghana. Assignments in a variety of countries and departments followed, starting in Amman, Jordan and carrying a strong Middle East theme (save for a two year interlude in Freetown) up to 1988: an Arabic language attachment at SOAS and postings in Jeddah and Sana'a. Much of his work was connected with skills transfer through the medium of English. By way of cultural contrast he was then sent to Munich, after which came seven years as Secretary of the Council and Head of Public Affairs with responsibility for developing the Council's public diplomacy work. He then went to Athens as Director Greece, following in some significant if eccentric footsteps, and finally to Ottawa for an unusually long and most enjoyable assignment of five plus years in Canada. After a few months of what is oddly called 'normal retirement' from the Council he started a new job in 2007 as General Manager of The Royal Anniversary Trust, a charitable body that manages The Queen's Anniversary Prizes for Higher and Further Education. The Prizes are presented by The Queen every two years to universities and colleges in recognition of outstanding and innovative work that has impact for the institution itself and the wider community. His wife Blanche has accompanied him on virtually all these peregrinations, on which they were joined at intervals by Athena (Sierra Leone), Lizzy (Saudi Arabia) and Victoria (The Yemen Arab Republic).

Ruth Deech studied law at Oxford and was called to the Bar. She taught law at the University of Windsor, Ontario, from 1968-70 and subsequently at Oxford University from 1970-1991, including a brief period teaching at Osgoode Hall, York University. In 1991 she was elected Principal of her college, St Anne's, and was appointed a Pro Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University as well as Chair of Admissions, Health and Safety and the Grievance Panel. In 2004 she resigned from Oxford to take up the post of the first Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education, charged with settling student complaints from all universities in England and Wales. From 1994-2002 she chaired the U.K. Human Fertilisation & Embryology Authority, which licenses and monitors all IVF treatments and embryo research; in recognition of her services she was appointed DBE in 2002. From 1996-2006 she was a trustee of the Rhodes Trust and from 2002-2006 served as a Governor of the BBC. She is an honorary Bencher of the Inner Temple, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine and a freeman of the City of London. In 2005 she was appointed a life peer and crossbench member of the House of Lords.

Judith Denwood has been Head of Canada Section in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) since October 2006. She has worked for the FCO since 1986 in a variety of roles both in London and overseas. She was educated at Cockermouth Grammar School in Cumbria and has a BA (Hons) in Social Sciences from the Open University. Before joining the FCO she was a Kibbutz volunteer in Israel. Following a posting to Barbados in 1998 and

short tours to New Delhi, Accra and Damascus, Judith worked on the Belarus and Moldova Desk in London. She then went on a posting to Bahrain as Vice Consul and Management Officer. On return to London she became the Desk Officer for Angola and Zambia. She then moved on to Human Resources (HR) and became a HR Manager covering South Asia, and Asia Pacific. While working in HR Judith studied with the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) and now has Member status. Judith is also a volunteer Team Leader for the FCO's rapid deployment team. She has dealt with crises involving British Nationals overseas in Egypt, Dallas (for hurricane Wilma), Turkey and most recently Thailand following the Phuket aircrash.

George Edmonds-Brown has been Executive Secretary of the UK Committee of the Canada-UK Colloquia since March 2001. In 1999 he retired from HM Diplomatic Service. He was educated at Dame Allan's Boys School and Durham University. Following service in Nigeria and Pakistan he did eight years trade promotion in Buenos Aires and Bucharest, after which he was desk officer for North America in Cultural Relations Department. In 1980 he served in Caracas as HM Consul and as First Secretary (Political and Information). From 1985-88 he was seconded to the Overseas Development Administration as Head of Mexico, Central America and Caribbean Section. In 1998 he went to Ottawa as Head of Chancery, after which he was Deputy High Commissioner in Barbados and the East Caribbean. In 1991 he went to Rome as Head of Management and then to Geneva as HM Consul and Head of Management to the three UK Missions. He is married to Teiko Watanabe and has three grown up and two young children.

David Goodhart is the founder and editor of Prospect magazine, the London-based current affairs monthly. Before starting Prospect in 1995 he worked for 12 years for the Financial Times, including a spell as correspondent in Germany. He is the author of several books and pamphlets, the latest for the think tank Demos is titled 'Progressive nationalism: citizenship and the left'. He is married to *FT* columnist Lucy Kellaway; they have four children and live in Highbury, North London.

Tony Heal is the Deputy Head of PREVENT Section in the Office of Security and Counter Terrorism in the Home Office.

Steve Hewitt, a Canadian living in the U.K., is a Lecturer in the Department of American and Canadian Studies. He has written extensively on topics related to security and intelligence. His previous scholarship, including *Spying 101: The RCMP's Secret Activities at Canadian Universities, 1917-1997* (University of Toronto Press, 2002), dealt with security and intelligence issues in a Canadian context. His fourth book, *The British War on Terror: Terrorism and Counterterrorism on the Home Front Since 9-11*, will be published by Continuum in December of this year. It offers a general overview and historical context to events in the U.K. since the attacks of September 11. He is also currently working on a manuscript about intelligence informers for OneWorld Publications, tentatively entitled *Snitch: A History of the Modern Informer*, and on research projects related to Canadian passport security and Rewards for Justice, a U.S. government counterterrorism program. For more information about his research or to contact him, visit his website www.spying101.com.

Ed Husain was born and raised in London. After graduation, he worked with HSBC Bank for several years. In 2003, he moved to Syria where he studied Arabic at the University of Damascus. He also worked with the British Council in Syria and soon relocated to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, with the Council. In 2005, he returned to Britain and studied for an MA in Middle East politics at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London. He is currently enrolled at the political science PhD programme of the School, researching Arab experiences of secularism. In May 2007, Penguin published Ed's highly acclaimed book *The Islamist*, in which he narrates candidly his recruitment to and experiences within Islamist extremism in Britain and explains the complexities surrounding modern Muslim socio-political discourse.

Sarah Joseph is the Editor of *emel* magazine, a lifestyle magazine with a Muslim focus. Launched in September 2003, *emel* is unique in Muslim media covering everything from current affairs to big name interviews, health to finance, education to environment, interior design to gardening. The magazine is the only Muslim magazine to achieve mainstream distribution and has readers in over 30 countries. Sarah has lectured on Islam both within the UK and internationally for over 15 years. She embraced Islam 18 years ago and has the fortunate position of experiencing two worlds. Sarah has attempted to use that position to promote mutual respect and understanding, and to act as a bridge for peace and tolerance. Sarah has been at the forefront of media appearances given the interest in Muslim issues, appearing on a variety of television programmes including the BBC's *Panorama* and ITV's *Jonathan Dimbleby*, CNN, Al-Jazeera and other world media. Sarah has also scripted for and recorded for a variety of BBC and independent radio productions including *Pause for Thought*, *Nicky Campbell* and *Late Night Live*. Sarah worked as a Specialist Researcher for the BBC's *Learning Zone* in the 2001 Islam series. She helped put together a new programme called "Inspired by Islam" which looked at the contribution of Islam and Muslim heritage to contemporary Western life. Sarah has worked as a consultant on Islamic Affairs - exploring issues with, and providing diversity training to, employment, education, health bodies, police etc on the beliefs and needs of Muslims in the UK. Sarah has a BA (hons) in Religious Studies from King's College London and did post graduate research into Britons Embracing Islam at the same institution. She was the winner of the 1999-2000 Prince of Wales Chevening/King Faisal Foundation Scholarship and travelled to Saudi Arabia to pursue research in the theological perspectives of conversion. She was a member of the of the Downing Street delegation in the aftermath of the July bombing and was a member of the Home Office Task Force following on from that. Sarah was awarded an OBE in the June 2004 Queen's Birthday Honour's List for services to inter-faith dialogue and to the promotion of women's rights. She was listed as one of the countries most powerful Muslims in the Muslim Power 100 by Carter Andersen. Married to human rights lawyer, Mahmud Al-Rashid, she is the mother of three children: Hasan 12, Sumayyah 8 and Amirah 6.

Nicolas Maclean has a background in financial services, as a banker with Schrodgers, Samuel Montagu, Robert Fleming, and Midland Bank/HSBC, and as Executive Director for Asia at Prudential Insurance. This March he completed a seven-year assignment as Senior Fellow at Britain's leading defence and security think tank, The International Institute for Strategic Studies, and has now resumed his consultancy life as Chief Executive, MWM (Strategy) and its East and South Asian subsidiaries. He has been appointed Senior Adviser to St Francis Xavier Sixth Form College, whose pupils reflect the considerable diversity of the South London population and are mainly Afro-Caribbean and Asian. Having for three years chaired

the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea's Community Relations Committee while an elected Councillor, he has had first-hand experience of issues relating to social and ethnic diversity and a variety of faiths, including responsibility for Britain's largest Moroccan community and close involvement with the Notting Hill Carnival. When initiator of the world's largest international exchange programme, now called JET, (45,000 teaching assistants in Japan from 41 countries), he insisted on diversity and equality as guiding principles in recruitment. He has also assisted parliamentary committees where issues of social cohesion were relevant. Last week he took part in the British-American Project Annual Conference in Newcastle on the theme of Faith and Justice. His wife Qamar is a Shia Imam Ismaili, and their elder son, Mark Salim, is finishing a PhD on modernisation and religion in Bengal, while their younger son Alexander Karim has just started a degree course in Comparative Religion, both at King's College, Cambridge. Nicolas was appointed a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George in HM The Queen's Golden Jubilee Honours List for Services to the United Kingdom's relations with Asia.

Rob Marris has been Member of Parliament for Wolverhampton South West since 2001. He was born in Wolverhampton in 1955 and educated at the University of British Columbia where he obtained a BA in sociology and an MA in Canadian history. He studied law at Birmingham Polytechnic and was a solicitor in Wolverhampton from 1987 to 1988 and then a Trade Union solicitor in Birmingham and Stoke on Trent; principally dealing with cases involving injuries at work. In 1991 he became an inaugural member of the Law Society's Personal Injury Panel. As an MP he was a member of the Department for Work and Pensions Select Committee from 2001 to 2005 and a Member of Department for Trade and Industry Select Committee from 2006 to 2007.

Narzanin Massoumi is a graduate of the London School of Economics. She is currently studying a PhD at the University of Bristol under the supervision of Professor Tariq Modood. Her research is focused on 'Muslim women and social movements in Post 9/11 Britain' whereby she examines the involvement on behalf of British Muslim women in positive political campaigns in their opposition towards foreign policy. More generally, her research interests lie in the areas of multiculturalism, feminism and social movements.

Carl Morris has recently completed an MA in 'Islam in Contemporary Britain' at Cardiff University. In the coming year he hopes to begin a PhD looking at the extent to which a British Muslim sense of belonging intersects with feelings of loyalty toward the Muslim *umma* (worldwide Muslim community). In order to examine this issue, he intends to focus on British Muslim musicians, many of whom are concerned with notions of belonging, often expressing a simultaneous sense of loyalty to both Britain and the *umma*. While waiting to begin doctorate research, Carl is concentrating on securing several publications and attempting to engage more generally with the issues surrounding his academic interests.

Julia Neuberger was educated at Newnham College, Cambridge and Leo Baeck College, London. She became a rabbi in 1977, and served the South London Liberal Synagogue for twelve years, before going to the King's Fund Institute as a Visiting Fellow. She was at Harvard Medical School in 1991-1992, Chairman of Camden & Islington Community Health Services NHS Trust from 1993 until 1997 and then Chief Executive of the King's Fund, an independent health charity until 2004. She has been a member of the Committee on Standards in Public Life, the Medical Research Council and the General Medical Council, a Trustee of

the Runnymede Trust and the Imperial War Museum (until 2006). Until recently she was also a Trustee of the British Council and of Jewish Care and remains a Trustee of the Booker Prize Foundation as well as a founding trustee of the Walter and Liesel Schwab Charitable Trust, in memory of her parents. She is currently chairing the Commission on the Future of Volunteering, is President of Liberal Judaism, and has recently been appointed as the Prime Minister's Champion for Volunteering. She is the author of several books on Judaism, women, healthcare ethics and on caring for dying people, and most recent book, 'The Moral State We're In', was published in March 2005. At present she is working on a book on old age. She was created a Life Peer in June 2004 (Liberal Democrat) and was Bloomberg Professor of Divinity at Harvard University for the Spring Semester 2006. In her spare time she likes swimming, gardening, family life, opera and Irish life.

Philip Peacock is the Chairman of the Canada-United Kingdom Colloquia and before that he was for some years its treasurer. He is also a Member of the Canada-United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce. Philip is a solicitor and a Senior Partner in the Westminster firm of RadcliffesLeBrasseur and was previously a partner in Lovell White & King (now Lovells). He was resident in Saudi Arabia for four years and subsequently was the Senior Partner of Crossman Block before his firm merged with Radcliffes in 1995. He has acted for Canadian clients for many years and has advised corporate clients in a wide field of business activities, including mergers & acquisitions, banking, telecommunications, power generation and health.

Rhydian Phillips joined the FCO in 2000 after a career in medicine. His current position as Head of Communications and Wider World Team in Engaging with the Islamic World Group involves co-ordination of work to combat extremism and prevent new sources of radicalisation in the Muslim world through work that addresses the ideological factors and the grievances that can lead to radicalisation. The team helps to create effective and rapid counter arguments to extremist narratives, working closely with other Whitehall stakeholders to develop effective material; and facilitating posts' use of home departments' material on domestic issues. We also work to preventing new sources of radicalisation in the Muslim world through addressing causes of radicalisation (as identified through targeted research) in priority countries, often through co-ordinating work with strategic allies like Canada or through multilateral organisations. Rhydian's previous FCO career includes working in Security Policy Dept and a posting as commercial attaché to Tokyo.

Trevor Phillips was announced, on 8 September 2006, as chair of the new Commission for Equality and Human Rights (CEHR), which will take over the work of Britain's three existing equality commissions in October 2007. Prior to this Trevor was appointed chair of the CRE on 1 March 2003 by the then home secretary David Blunkett. Born in London in 1953, Trevor attended secondary school in Georgetown, Guyana, and then studied chemistry at Imperial College London. Between 1978 and 1980, he was president of The National Union of Students. He then went into broadcasting, becoming Head of Current Affairs at LWT in 1992. From 1987 to 2000, he was alternately the editor or the presenter of The London Programme. Trevor received awards from the Royal Television Society in 1988, 1993 and 1998. He was elected as a member of the Greater London Authority in May 2000, and became chair of the Assembly later that month. Trevor is a director of Pepper Productions, founded in 1995, and was the executive producer on *Windrush* (which won the Royal Television Society Documentary Series of the Year award in 1998), *Britain's Slave Trade*,

Second Chance and *When Black Became Beautiful*. He is a vice president of the Royal Television Society. At present, he is chair of the Young Adults Working Group of the Financial Services Authority, and a board member of the Almeida Theatre in Islington, Aldeburgh Productions and The Bernie Grant Centre in Tottenham. He is a patron of The Sickie Cell Society. Between 1993 and 1998 Trevor was chair of the Runnymede Trust. In addition to many newspaper articles and comment pieces, Trevor has co-written *Windrush: The Irresistible Rise of Multiracial Britain* (with Mike Phillips), published in 1998, and *Britain's Slave Trade* (with S.I. Martin) published the following year.

Tariq Ramadan is Professor of Islamic Studies. He is currently Senior Research Fellow St Antony's College (Oxford), Doshisha University (Kyoto, Japan) and at the Lokahi Foundation (London). He is a Visiting Professor (in charge of the chair: *Identity and Citizenship*) at Erasmus University (Netherlands) (www.eur.nl/fsw/ramadan). Through his writings and lectures he has contributed substantially to the debate on the issues of Muslims in the West and Islamic revival in the Muslim world. He is active both as an academic and grassroots level lecturing extensively throughout the world on social justice and dialogue between civilisations. Professor Tariq Ramadan is currently President of the European think tank: *European Muslim Network* (EMN) in Brussels. His latest book is "The Messenger. The Meaning of the Life of Muhammad."

Francis Robinson has been Professor of History of South Asia, University of London, since 1990. He was Vice-Principal and Senior Vice-Principal, Royal Holloway, University of London from 1997-2004. He was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge (MA, PhD), Prize Fellow, 1969-73; Royal Holloway College, then Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, University of London: Lecturer in History, 1973-85; Reader, 1985-90; Head of Dept, 1990-96; Member, Council, 1991-2004; Visiting. Professor, South Asia Program, 1982 and 1986, Near East Program, 1985, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington; Directeur d'Etudes Associé, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, 1985; Visiting Fellow Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies 2005- ; He was President of the Royal Asiatic Society from 1997-2000, and from 2003-06 (Vice-President., 2000-03, 2006-); He was a trustee of the Charles Wallace (Pakistan) Trust, 1999-06 (Chairman. of Trustees, 2001-6); Surrey History Trust; Ernst Cassel Memorial Trust. He became a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts in 1997 and was awarded the Iqbal Centenary Medal (Pakistan) in 1978. Among his publications are: *Separatism among Indian Muslims*, 1974, 2nd edition 1993; *Atlas of the Islamic World since 1500*, 1982; *Varieties of South Asia Islam*, 1988; (ed) *Cambridge Encyclopaedia of India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka*, 1989; (ed) *Cambridge Illustrated History of the Islamic World*, 1996; *Islam and Muslim History in South Asia*, 2000; *The 'Ulama of Farangi Mahall and Islamic Culture in South Asia*, 2001; *Islam, South Asia and the West*, 2007; *The Mughals and the Islamic Dynasties of India, Iran and Central Asia*, 2007. In 2006 he was awarded a CBE

Alan Rudge is the Cabinet Member for Equalities and Human Resources of Birmingham City Council. He is a solicitor by profession and combines the running of his legal practice with his Cabinet role for the Equalities and Human Resources Portfolio, which he has held since June 2004. He has had previous experience with Human Resource and Equalities issues having formerly been a shadow spokesperson for both the Personnel Committee and to the previous Cabinet Member for Equalities and Human Resources. Prior to this, he held the position of Chairman of Higher and Further Education and Chairman of Youth and

Community; as well as having acted as leader and deputy leader of the Conservative Group. Councillor Rudge maintains a long standing interest in youth work, he has been the Chairman of Clifton Road Youth Centre in Sutton for over 10 years and is also a Director of the Sutton Coldfield YMCA. On a citywide basis, Councillor Rudge has been a Director of the Birmingham Settlement for over 20 years, a Charity which was set up to empower local communities and be a catalyst for innovative projects for the people of Birmingham. He has served two terms as Director of the CBSO and is now a Director of Birmingham Repertory Theatre and the Birmingham Research Park Ltd. The Human Resource side of his Cabinet role relates to the strategic direction over the recruitment, retention, development and management of the Council's workforce. The Equalities side of the role involves overall responsibility for promoting diversity, equality of opportunity and improved relationships within and between all communities in Birmingham.

Itesh Sachdev, Professor of Language and Communication, is the Director of the Centre for Excellence in 'Languages of the Wider World' based across two institutions in the University of London – the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) & University College London. Born in Kenya, he did his undergraduate work in Psychology at University of Bristol (UK) and his doctoral studies at McMaster University (Canada). He was a member of faculty at Birkbeck College, University of London, for almost 20 years before joining the School of Oriental & African Studies (SOAS), where he is also the Head of the School of Languages. He has published widely in the social psychology of inter-group relations and language (especially on multilingualism and multiculturalism). He has worked with diverse ethnolinguistic groups (immigrant and indigenous) from several parts of the world including Bolivia, Canada, France, Hong Kong, India, Taiwan, Thailand, Tunisia and the UK. He has been active in research and teaching in Canadian Studies for more than two decades, and is the Editor of the London Journal for Canadian Studies. He served as the President of the British Association for Canadian Studies between 2004-6 and Director of the Birkbeck Centre for Canadian Studies for many years. He is also a Council member of the Canada-UK Colloquium.

Mona Siddiqui is Professor of Islamic Studies and Public Understanding at the University of Glasgow. She is also founder and director of the University's Centre for the Study of Islam. Her research areas include Qur'an, classical Islamic law, Arabic literature and contemporary ethics. Professor Siddiqui also works for a wide range of media and contributes regularly to various newspapers. She is a regular speaker on the prolific 'Thought for the Day' slot on BBC Radio 4 and BBC Scotland. In 2005, she was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and the Royal Society of Arts. In 2008 she will be the Jantina Tammes Visiting Professor at the University of Groningen.

Mota Singh was educated in Kenya and England and called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1956. In Kenya he was an Advocate of the Supreme Court of Kenya; Secretary of the Law Society of Kenya, Disciplinary Committee and Council of Legal Education (the first non-European to be appointed Secretary); a Member, Councillor and Alderman of the City of Nairobi - elected Alderman at the age of 31; Vice President, Kenya Justice - affiliated to the International Commission of Jurists in Geneva; Chairman, Schools Governors; President, Member and Trustee of various sporting, religious and other charitable organisations. He often led Council delegations to Government Ministers and Senior Civil Servants. He played Cricket for Kenya. In England, he became a QC and a Recorder and in 1982 was appointed a Circuit Judge; the first one from an ethnic minority group. He was appointed by successive

Home Secretaries as a Member, Race Relations Board (from 1967 until 1978) and by the Lord Chancellor as a Member and later Chairman of the London Rent Assessment Committees. He is a member of the MCC and a Patron of the Sutton Lawn Tennis Association; Anne Frank Trust; Ben Samuel Music Trust; Inter-faith Organisation and the Swaminarayan Hindu Temple, Neasden. He is a trustee of the Sikh Temple, South London; Immigration Advisory Service (Former President) and Ethnic Minority Foundation. He holds and has held a large number of public positions including - a former trustee of The Windsor Leadership Trust, whose first Chairman was Field Marshal Lord Peter Inge; former Chairman of the World Sikh Council (European Section); International Chairman - Guru Nanak World Education Trust; Vice President - Dr Barnardo's; Former Vice President - Family Service Units; Member - Attorney General's Race Advisory Committee; Master of the Bench - Lincoln's Inn; Deputy Chairman (Legal) Statutory Committees, Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. He has addressed a number of national and international seminars and conferences and is the recipient of Lifetime Achievement Awards, one from Asian Jewels and the other from the Society of Asian Lawyers. In the early 1970s he went to New York to present the case of the Ugandan Asians following their expulsion and met Permanent Representatives of all the Commonwealth countries.

Robert Whalley recently retired after 36 years in UK Government service, mostly in the Home Office, but also in the Northern Ireland Office and the Cabinet Office. In his final post, as Director for Counter Terrorism and Intelligence at the Home Office, he was the principal policy and operational adviser to the Home Secretary during the terrorist attacks of 9/11 and the London bombings of July 2005. He chaired meetings of COBR (the Government's crisis management structure) during both these events. He also supervised the teams responsible for legislation on terrorism in the UK Parliament from 2000 to 2005, and advised the Home Secretary on development of longer term counter-terrorism strategy covering prevention, pursuit, protective security and post-incident planning. Within the UK counter-terrorist structure, he chaired senior official committees concerned with developing relations with Muslim groups and leaders, and on scientific research, aviation security and terrorist financing. He was a member of the Joint Intelligence Committee (JIC) from 2003 to 2005, advised the Home Secretary on liaison with the US Department of Homeland Security and was the senior Home Office official on the UK/US Joint Contact Group. He was appointed CB (Companion of the Order of the Bath) by Her Majesty the Queen in 2005. He holds a MA degree in Modern History from the University of Cambridge. In 2006 he joined the International Institute of Strategic Studies as a Consulting Senior Fellow.

Farouk Walji is the Chairman and Founder of Newton Preparatory School. He studied Pharmacy at Chelsea College, University of London, and did his PhD at Kings College, London. He is a Member of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. In 1991, following a period as a superintending pharmacist and Visiting Lecturer in Pharmacy at Kings College, he founded the Newton Preparatory School, a co-educational preparatory school with a special provision for highly able and gifted children. He is Patron of Tomorrow's Achievers, which provides financial assistance to gifted children, a trustee of the McWhirter Foundation, United Kingdom and a director, of the Support Society for Children of High Intelligence. He has carried out a wide range of voluntary activities within the Muslim community including founder member of the 25th Kensington Ismaili Muslim Scout Group; Member for the Student Portfolio, His Highness Prince Aga Khan Shia Imami Ismaili National Council for the United Kingdom; Mukhi, Panch Baar Saal Majalis, Ealing Jamat Khana; Chairman, The Partnership Walk – Aga Khan Foundation, UK; Chairman, Aga Khan Education Board, United Kingdom; Jamati Mukhi of the local Ismaili community at Ealing

Jamat Khana and currently project leader for A2K, a multi media theatrical production that pays tribute to the Ismaili Imam and its contribution to Muslim civilisation over its 1400 years history. He is married to Dr Shahenaz and has two children, a daughter and a son.

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Naomi Alboim is currently a fellow, adjunct professor, and Vice-Chair of the Policy Forum at the School of Policy Studies at Queen's University. She is also an active public policy consultant, advising governments and NGO's across Canada and abroad. Naomi is an Associate of the Maytree Foundation and in that capacity is working on issues pertaining to the integration of skilled immigrants into the Canadian labour market. She is on the Board of the Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council and is the Chair of its Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Prior to this, Naomi worked at senior levels in the federal and Ontario provincial governments for twenty-five years, including eight years as Deputy Minister in three different portfolios, including the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship. She is a member of the Order of Ontario and a recipient of the Jubilee Gold Medal for public service.

Mira Bachvarova is a PhD candidate at the Department of Political Studies at Queen's University. Her area of study is contemporary political theory, and her research interests lie in theories of individual autonomy, cultural pluralism and toleration. Her dissertation explores the discourse on minorities within minorities in liberal states and the normative foundations of multicultural legitimacy. As a teaching fellow she leads courses on citizenship and theory of multiculturalism

Keith Banting earned his B.A. (Hons) from Queen's University, and completed his doctorate at Oxford University. He taught for thirteen years in the Department of Political Science at the University of British Columbia, before returning to Queen's in 1986. In addition, he has been a visiting scholar at the London School of Economics, the Brookings Institution, Harvard University, Oxford University, the European University Institute and the University of Melbourne. His research interests focus on public policy in Canada and other western nations. He is the author of *Poverty, Politics and Policy* (Macmillan 1979) and *The Welfare State and Canadian Federalism* (McGill-Queen's University Press, second edition 1987). In addition, he is an editor and co-author of another fifteen books dealing with public policy, and has contributed a lengthy list of articles to journals and other books. Dr. Banting's current research focuses on ethnic diversity, multiculturalism and the welfare state. In this field, he is co-editor (with Will Kymlicka) of *Multiculturalism and the Welfare State: Recognition and Redistribution in Contemporary Democracies* (Oxford University Press, 2006), and co-editor (with Thomas Courchene and Leslie Seidle) of *Belonging? Diversity, Recognition and Shared Citizenship in Canada* (Institute for Research on Public Policy, 2007). Professor Banting served as Director of the School of Policy Studies from 1993 to 2003. Prior to that appointment, he served as Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research at Queen's University. In 1983-85, he was a Research Coordinator for the Royal Commission on the Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada. In 1986-92, he was a member of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, and in 1990 was elected vice-president of the Council. In 2005, Dr. Banting was invested as a member of the Order of Canada.

Bill Blaikie was born and grew up in Transcona, Manitoba. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and Religious Studies from the University of Winnipeg in 1973 and a Master of Divinity degree from the Toronto School of Theology in 1977. From 1977 to 1979,

he worked as Director of a Special Outreach Ministry of the United Church in the North End of Winnipeg. Mr. Blaikie was ordained to the Ministry of the United Church of Canada in 1978. He was first elected to the House of Commons in 1979 and has been re-elected eight times. From 1980 to 1984 he was NDP Health Critic. From 1983 to 1984 he was chair of the federal NDP caucus, and served as chair once again from 1993 to 1996. From 1984 to 1987, he was the NDP Environment Critic, serving on the Standing Committee on Environment and Forestry and the Special Committee on Acid Rain. In 1985-86, he was Vice-Chair of the Special Parliamentary Committee on Reform of the House of Commons. From 1987 to 1990, he served as the NDP External Affairs Critic, and on the Standing Committee on External Affairs and International Trade. In 1988, he served on the Special Committee on the Peace Process in Central America. From 1990 to 1993 he was the NDP taxation policy critic, serving on the House Standing Committee on Finance. From 1993 to 2000, he was the NDP International Trade Critic. From 1995 to 2003 he was the NDP House Leader and the Critic on Intergovernmental Affairs as well as being the NDP Justice Critic from 2000 to 2003. From January of 2003 to July of 2004 he was the Parliamentary Leader of the NDP, while also taking on the role of NDP Defence and Veteran's Affairs Critic and returning to the position of International Trade Critic. After the election of June 2004, he served as the Deputy Leader of the NDP. He was the party's Health Critic from July 2004 until the end of January, 2005 and the Defence Critic from July 2004 until the election of 2006. Re-elected in January of 2006 he was appointed Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons on April 5, 2006. He is the first New Democrat to serve in that capacity. As the longest continuous serving Member of Parliament, he is the Dean of the House and has run two Speakers' elections in that capacity. Bill was married to his wife Brenda in 1973. They have four children.

Marion Boyd was elected in 1990 as the Member of Ontario Provincial Parliament for London Centre, Marion Boyd served in the Cabinet of the NDP government as Minister of education, Minister of Community and Social Services, Minister Responsible for Women's Issues and Attorney General. Re-elected in 1995, Marion became the critic for health, justice and women's issues until her defeat in June 1999. In October 1999, Marion was appointed as an adjudicator for the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board and is now serving a third term on that body. In June 2004, Marion Boyd was asked to lead a Review of the Ontario Arbitration Act as it applies to family and inheritance law, with special reference to the use of religion laws in arbitration. The Report of the Review, entitled "Dispute Resolution in Family Law: Protecting Choice, Promoting Inclusion," was released on December 20, 2004. In November, 2005, the government introduced legislation, The Family Statute Law Amendment Act, 2005, which implements many of the recommendations of the Report. However, the Act gives religiously based arbitration decisions no status in law. Marion Boyd is the Chair and Coordinator of the Task Force on the Health Effects of Woman Abuse; she provides training, public education and coordination for the province-wide initiative to implement the Routine Universal Comprehensive Screening Protocol (RUCS) for the early identification of women abuse. Marion developed her national and international reputation for expertise and advocacy on abuse of women and children while she was the Executive Director of the London Battered Women's Advocacy Clinic from 1984 to 1990. As a former Attorney General, Marion Boyd is an ex-officio Life Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada; she was recently appointed by the Attorney General as a Lay Bencher, to facilitate her full participation in Law Society committees. She serves on the Government Relations Committee and co-chairs the Access to Justice Committee. Marion serves on the Paralegal

Standing Committee which is responsible for implementing Law Society regulation of paralegals. She also represents the Treasurer of the Law Society on the Ontario Justice Education Network and is a trustee and president of the Law Society Foundation.

Malcolm Brown was appointed Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy & Research at Human Resources & Social Development Canada on September 4, 2007. From March 2005 to September 2007, Mr. Brown was Assistant Deputy Minister of Strategic Directions and Communications and then Assistant Deputy Minister of Strategic and Program Policy at Citizenship & Immigration Canada. From January 2003 to March 2005, Mr. Brown assumed several Assistant Deputy Minister level positions at Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) and Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) and most recently was Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment Programs Policy & Design. Before joining HRDC, Mr. Brown held several senior positions at the Privy Council Office, including Assistant Deputy Minister responsible for the Reference Group of Ministers on Aboriginal Policy, from February 2002 to January 2003, and Director General for Sectoral Analysis and Deputy Director General, Strategy and Plans at Intergovernmental Affairs, from March 1999 to February 2002. Previously, Mr. Brown held positions at Health Canada, including A/Director General, Intergovernmental Affairs Directorate, Executive Director, Health Transition Fund Secretariat, Director, Federal/Provincial Relations Division. Prior to joining the federal public service, he worked in the Ontario Government and in the private sector. He began his career in 1985 as an Executive Assistant in a Member of Parliament's office. Mr. Brown holds a B.A. in Political Studies from Queen's University and a M.A. in Political Science from York University.

Mel Cappe began his term as President and CEO of the IRPP on June 1, 2006. Prior to joining the IRPP, Mr. Cappe spent more than 30 years in the Canadian public service, most recently as the High Commissioner for Canada to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Prior to that, he was Canada's top public servant as Clerk of the Privy Council, Secretary to the Cabinet and Head of the Public Service. He assumed those responsibilities in January 1999, relinquishing the position in May of 2002 to become Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of Canada before leaving for the UK later that year. He has also held senior economic and policy positions in federal government departments in Ottawa, including the Treasury Board Secretariat, Department of Finance, and Consumer and Corporate Affairs. He has served as Deputy Secretary to the Treasury Board, Deputy Minister of the Environment, Deputy Minister of Human Resources Development, Deputy Minister of Labour and Chairman of the Employment Insurance Commission. Born in 1948, Mr. Cappe has a Masters degree in Economics from the University of Western Ontario and did doctoral studies at the University of Toronto. He is married to Marni, and they have two adult children.

Murray Coolican has held leadership positions across a number of sectors including not for profit, government, politics and the private sector. He is a founding Board member of the Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council (TRIEC). Earlier this year he was appointed as the Government of Ontario's Principal Representative in the negotiations with the Six Nations near Brantford. His career began in politics as a Special Assistant to the Rt. Hon. Robert L. Stanfield when Mr. Stanfield was the Leader of the National Progressive Conservative Party. In his late twenties Mr. Coolican became Executive Director of the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee (CARC), one of Canada's leading environmental citizen's organizations. CARC's work on aboriginal issues led him to work with the Inuit of

the Eastern Arctic and Labrador. He later served on two Government of Canada task forces to develop land claim and treaty negotiation policy. He also served as Deputy Minister of Native Affairs in the Government of Ontario. In the private sector Mr. Coolican has worked as an executive with National Sea Products (now High Liner), the CCL Group, Nova Scotia Power, Maritime Life and most recently as a Vice-President with Manulife Financial.

Robert Fry began his studies in electrical engineering and went on to earn Common Law and Droit civil law degrees at the University of Ottawa, in Canada. After a term as Vice President of the Students' Federation, he began a career in Canadian federal politics in the Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade. His subsequent posts included time as Senior Advisor to two Leaders of the Government in the Senate and Senior Policy Advisor, responsible for cultural industries, for the Minister of Canadian Heritage. In 2000, he became Chief of Staff to the Deputy Prime Minister of Canada. Following that he was appointed Director of Policy for the Minister of Foreign Affairs in 2002. He had specific responsibility for the Canada-US, Middle East (Iraq, Afghanistan, and Israeli-Palestinian conflict) and multilateral institutions such as the United Nations, G8, and Commonwealth. After the Canadian federal election in June 2004, he was appointed as Chief of Staff to the Minister of Health with the responsibility to push forward the new government's agenda on health care reform and establish the Public Health Agency of Canada. In 2006, he joined the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade as Senior Departmental Coordinator for Pandemic Preparedness to handle the emergency preparedness and international health policy aspects of pandemic flu through the WHO and other international bodies. He also led the negotiating of the North American Plan for Avian and Pandemic Influenza which was recently released by the Prime Minister of Canada, and the Presidents of the United States and Mexico at their Summit in Montebello (August 2007). In September 2007, he was appointed as Minister Counsellor, Political Affairs and Public Diplomacy to the Canadian High Commission in London. He is married to Jennifer Reynolds-Fry, an international trade lawyer with the Department of Justice and has two children, Emilie and Nicholas.

Diane Fulford was appointed Assistant Deputy Minister, Citizenship and Heritage, Canadian Heritage, in January 2006. Ms. Fulford joined Canadian Heritage in October 2004 as Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Affairs and Communications. Prior to joining the Department, she was Chief Information Officer of Industry Canada from September 2001 to October 2004. She was Director General, Program Management Initiative, Human Resources Investment Branch at Human Resources Development Canada from October 2000 to September 2001, and Senior Director, Human Resources Development and Veterans Division, Social and Cultural Sector, Treasury Board Secretariat, from November 1998 to September 2000. From October 1997 to November 1998, Ms. Fulford was Director General, Population Health, Health Policy & Programs Branch at Health Canada, and Interim Director General, Strategic Planning, Customs and Trade Branch, at Revenue Canada from September 1996 to October 1997. Ms. Fulford holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Ottawa and has completed the Public Executive Program from Queen's University.

Denise Helly has been a senior researcher at Institut National de Recherche Scientifique, a division of Université du Québec, since 1994. She has a PhD in anthropology (La Sorbonne, 1975), and has also studied sociology, political science and sinology. She is a specialist on national and ethnic minorities, citizenship, nationalism, policies of cultural pluralism, multiculturalism, and immigration, discrimination, Islam in the West, and state-religion

relationships. She has made several surveys on the integration of immigrants in Quebec, published 10 books and numerous articles on topics such as Chinese Overseas, national minorities in China, Chinese in Canada, Canadian multiculturalism, the history of the ideas of citizenship and nation, Québec policy towards ethno-cultural minorities, and Muslims in Canada. More recently, she joined European research teams in studying the status of Muslims in Europe.

Katherine Hewson is Assistant Deputy Minister in the Citizenship and Immigration Division of the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration. The Division is responsible for immigration policy and programs, including settlement, language training, and initiatives aimed at eliminating labour market and professional registration barriers for newcomers. The Division is also responsible for volunteerism, and provincial honours and awards programs. Katherine holds a B.A. (English) from Glendon College, York University and a LL.B from the University of Toronto. She began her career with the Ontario Public Service in 1988 as a policy advisor at the Ministry of Labour where she worked on a variety of legislative and other policy initiatives in the area of employment standards, labour relations and pay equity. She has also worked as counsel to the Ontario Labour Relations Board and at the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services. Katherine has held a number of positions at the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, including Manager of the Employment Equity Legislation Project; Director of the Equal Opportunity and Disability Access Branch, responsible for equal opportunity, disability, vulnerable adults, and human rights; and Director of the Citizenship Development Branch, responsible for immigration and settlement, and the voluntary sector. As Assistant Deputy Minister, she has led the development of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, the Canada-Ontario Immigration Agreement, the Fair Access to Regulated Professions Act and other initiatives aimed at improving outcomes for newcomers to Ontario.

Mobina Jaffer was born in Uganda and was educated in both England and Canada, earning her bachelor of laws degree (LL.B.) from London University in England and going on to complete the Executive Development Program at Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, B.C. The first East Indian woman lawyer in British Columbia, Mobina has an extensive record of achievement in the areas of equality and justice for women of colour and the struggle to end violence against all women. Appointed to the Senate in 2001 as the first East Indian, first Muslim, first African, she continues to bring issues of human rights and other important issues to her colleagues in the Parliament of Canada. From 2002-2006 Senator Jaffer held the position of Canada's Special Envoy for Peace in Sudan. As the Special Envoy, Senator Jaffer worked with the Department of Foreign Affairs, the Sudanese Community and the Diplomatic Community to assist the people of Sudan in the search for peace. Senator Jaffer travelled to the region many times representing the Canadian Government. From May 2005 to March 2006 she was also a member of the Prime Minister's Special Advisory Team focusing on the implementation of the Peace Process in Sudan. Senator Jaffer's long-time advocacy of enabling Sudanese women to participate in the Peace negotiations was finally achieved for the first time in the fall of 2005. Senator Jaffer also took on the role as the Chair of the Canadian Committee on Women Peace & Security Senator from 2002-2005. Her belief that the key to peace is the inclusion of women in the peace process, was outlined in the United Nations 1325 (2000) Resolution. As Chair of the Canadian Committee of Women Peace & Security she held roundtables on racial profiling, finding peaceful solutions to middle-east warring, and the plight of Afghani and Iraqi women. Mobina has been very

involved with the Liberal Party of Canada in various roles. She served as the Vice-President (English) of the Liberal Party of Canada, as the President of the National Women's Liberal Commission, on the board of Liberal International, and as the Chair of the management board of the International Network of Liberal Women. Within the community Senator Jaffer is a supporter of a vast array of local community-based organizations, firmly believing that it takes the concerted efforts of a community to achieve our collective goals.

Rahim Jaffer is Conservative Member of Parliament for Edmonton–Strathcona and is an entrepreneur. He was born in Uganda and obtained a BA at the University of Ottawa. He is currently pursuing an Executive MBA at the University of Alberta. He was first elected to the House of Commons in the 1997 General Election and re-elected in the 2000, 2004 and 2006 General Elections. He was appointed Official Opposition Deputy Critic for Intergovernmental Affairs in June 1997; Official Opposition Critic for Industry in June 1998; for the Environment in October 1999; for Industry (small businesses) in January 2001; for Foreign Affairs – Asia – Pacific in May 2001 and for Revenue in August 2001. In December 2001 he was appointed Official Opposition Deputy Leader. In April 2002 he became Official Opposition Critic for National Revenue and for Infrastructure and Communities in July 2004. He became Conservative Party National Caucus Chair in February 2006 and has served on the Citizenship and Immigration Committee. His interests include dancing, squash, tennis and skiing.

Marina Jimenez has been a journalist for 17 years. She has a Masters degree from the University of London. She has reported from around the world, covering everything from the war in Iraq to recent elections in Haiti and Mexico. Before joining the Globe and Mail in 2003, she worked for CBC Television, the Vancouver Sun and the National Post. She has received numerous awards, including a 2003 National Newspaper Award for her coverage of the immigration and refugee beat at the Globe and Mail, and two 2001 National Magazine Gold Awards for her story in Saturday Night magazine on the boatloads of Chinese migrants who washed up on the shores of British Columbia in 1999. This year she contributed an essay to a book on motherhood, *Between Interruptions*, about the delicate balancing act between motherhood and career ambition.

Jim Judd was appointed the Director of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service in November 2004. His public service career spans 34 years, including, postings to Caracas and Washington DC; Foreign and Defence Policy Advisor to the Prime Minister; Assistant Deputy Minister at the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade; G-7 Deputy and Assistant Deputy Minister of International Trade and Finance; Deputy Minister of National Defence; and Secretary of the Treasury Board. Born in Montreal, Quebec, Mr. Judd earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science; and a Master of Arts in International Affairs from Carleton University in Ottawa.

Jason Kenney was born in Ontario and raised in southern Saskatchewan, where he graduated from Notre Dame College. He did undergraduate studies in philosophy at the St. Ignatius Institute of the University of San Francisco. Mr. Kenney was first elected to Parliament in 1997 to represent Calgary Southeast, and has been re-elected three times, most recently with 75% of the vote. He served in the Official Opposition Shadow Cabinet as *Finance Critic*, *Foreign Affairs Critic for Canada-US Relations*, and as *Opposition Deputy House Leader*. Mr. Kenney served as *Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister* from February 2006 to

January 4, 2007 when he was sworn into the Privy Council as *Secretary of State for Multiculturalism and Canadian Identity*. Prior to seeking election, Mr. Kenney served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, an 80,000 member non-profit, advocacy organization which promotes fiscal responsibility and democratic reforms. He previously served as the founding Executive Director of the CTF's largest affiliate, the Alberta Taxpayer's Association. Mr. Kenney has been named one of Canada's "100 Leaders of the Future" by *Maclean's* magazine, "one of Canada's leading conservative activists by the *Globe and Mail*," and "one of 21 Canadians to watch in the 21st century" by the *Financial Post Magazine*.

Ali Lakhani was born in Kent, England, and was educated at the King's School, Canterbury, and at Cambridge University, where he read law as an undergraduate and a postgraduate. In 1973, he moved to Vancouver, where he has practiced as a trial lawyer for nearly 30 years, primarily in the area of complex commercial litigation. He has served extensively in various volunteer organizations in Canada, both within his own Ismaili Muslim community and in the community at large. In 1998, Lakhani founded the traditionalist journal, Sacred Web (www.sacredweb.com), which aims to address issues of the modern world based on timeless and universal traditional principles and values. The bi-annual journal has included contributions by many leading traditionalists, and is widely recognized as one of the leading publications in its field. Its contributors have included HRH The Prince of Wales (who also introduced the Sacred Web Conference held at the University of Alberta in 2006), the Dalai Lama, and prominent religious scholars such as Karen Armstrong and Seyyed Hossein Nasr. In 2002, Lakhani was awarded the first prize in Iran for his paper delivered in Tehran in 2001 at the International Congress on Imam 'Ali (the founder of Shi'a Islam). His prize-winning essay, *The Metaphysics Of Human Governance: Imam 'Ali, Truth and Justice*, was included in the anthology that he edited under the title, *The Sacred Foundations of Justice in Islam* (World Wisdom, Indiana, 2006). Lakhani, was one of the 138 signatories of the Open Letter from Muslims to Christendom, issued under the title, "A Common Word Between Us and You", on October 13, 2007 (see www.acommonword.com).

Marie Mc Andrew is a full professor in the Department of Educational Administration and Foundations, at the University of Montreal. She holds a PhD in Comparative Education and specialized in the education of minorities and intercultural education. She has worked extensively in research and policy development and evaluation in this field. From 1989 to 1991, she was an advisor to the deputy-minister's cabinet of the Quebec Ministère des Communautés culturelles et de l'Immigration. From 1996 to 2002, she was the Director of *Immigration and Metropolis*, the Inter-university Research Centre of Montreal on Immigration, Integration and Urban Dynamics, one of four centres created in 1996 by the Social Sciences Research Council of Canada (SSRCC) and Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC). From 1993 to 2004, Dr. McAndrew also co-ordinated the Research Group on Ethnicity and Adaptation to Pluralism in Education. Presenting an original synthesis of the studies conducted by the group since 1992, her book « Immigration and diversity in school: the québécois case in a comparative perspective » won the Donner prize 2001 attributed to the best book on Canadian public policy. Since June 2003, she holds the Chair for Ethnic Relations and in June 2006, she was awarded a SSHRC Canada Senior research Chair on Education and Ethnic Relations. In this framework, she carries an important research program on the role of education in the maintenance and the transformation of ethnic relations. In June 2005, she received the Prix québécois de la citoyenneté Jacques-Couture pour le

rapprochement interculturel, in recognition of the relevance of her involvement in research and dissemination for the development of public policies, better adapted to pluralism. She is also a member of the Consultative Committee on integration and reasonable accommodation in the school setting, established by the minister of Education of Quebec in October 2006.

Thomas McMorrow obtained his LL.B. from Trinity College, University of Dublin. Enrolled at Trinity in the Law & French programme, he spent his junior sophister year studying French constitutional law and legal theory at the Université de Poitiers in Poitiers, France. He recently completed his Masters in Law thesis, "Law at *L'Arche*: Reflections from a *Critical* Legal Pluralist Perspective". The thesis is based on participant field work Thomas carried out at an intentional, faith-based community serving persons with intellectual disabilities in Montréal called *L'Arche*. Currently Thomas is carrying out research in association with *The Major Collaborative Research Project on Indigenous Peoples and Governance*. He is studying ways different forms of economic development have affected conceptions of property, identity and governance in aboriginal collectivities in Canada and will soon be commencing fieldwork in the area in the New Year. Thomas holds a McDonald Graduate Student Fellowship at McGill University and is working under the supervision of the F.R. Scott Chair in Constitutional Law, Professor Roderick A. Macdonald. His doctoral work involves empirical research into the role students play in the creation of laws governing human interaction within the secondary school setting. His broader research interests include legal education, the role of human agency in the construction of legal normativity, legal pluralism and social justice.

Erica Maidment is a first-year masters student in the combined M.P.A/L.L.B. degree program with the Queen's School of Policy Studies and the Queen's Faculty of Law. She has her Bachelor of Arts degree in History with a focus in the political and intellectual history of Canada, England, and France. Over the past few years, she has had the wonderfully rewarding opportunity to combine her interest in policy with event planning as national policy coordinator for the "withinsight" Canadian student policy conference. She is delighted to be part of the Canada-UK colloquium for 2007 and 2008.

Christine Nassrallah is the Deputy Director General of the Multiculturalism and Human Rights at the Department of Canadian Heritage. Prior to this, she was the Director of Multiculturalism Policy, Research and Human Rights within the same department. During her tenure, she acquired extensive experience in a broad spectrum of policy development, research and program delivery on issues related to multiculturalism, human rights, inter-governmental affairs, and international affairs. She played a leading role in the policy development related to the *redress* issue, the development of Canada's Action Plan against Racism, the Ethnic Diversity Survey, and the public policy forum on the *Demographic Projections of Canada 2017*. Before joining the Department of Canadian Heritage, Christine held progressively senior positions at New Brunswick Power in a number of areas. Her expertise in the public utility business covered a variety of disciplines: regional operations, policy development, public affairs, strategic communications, change management leadership, strategic planning and risk management. Christine has worked as a volunteer for over 15 years. She held positions in national and provincial organizations and committees, and delivered presentations that deal with issues related to multiculturalism, diversity and integration. In 2002, Christine received the Commemorative Medal for the Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for her work in promoting human rights, and inter-cultural

understanding. She has made presentations in national and international fora, and has published book reviews on socio-economic and political issues of the Middle-East. Christine holds an Honours B.A. from Saint Thomas University, and a Master of Arts from the University of New Brunswick. She also completed course requirements for doctoral studies at Queen's University in Kingston and Ottawa University.

Robert Orr is Minister, Immigration and head of the Canadian Immigration program at the Canadian High Commission in London. Previously he was the Director General of the Refugees Branch at Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC). Prior to assuming that position in July 2003, Bob was the Director of Personnel at CIC's International Region, a position he held for two years. After teaching in Kenya for two years, Bob joined Canada's foreign service in 1982. While having had various positions at headquarters, most of his career has been spent at Canadian overseas missions. His first posting was in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire followed by postings in Colombo, Sri Lanka and Damascus, Syria. Following three years in Ottawa, he was posted to London, England and subsequently as Counsellor (Immigration) at the Canadian High Commission in Nairobi, Kenya. Bob holds a B.A. (Honours) and an M.A. from Queen's University. He is married and has 12 year old twins.

Victor Rabinovitch is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian Museum of Civilization Corporation, which is responsible for Canada's largest museum (the Museum of Civilization) and the national museum of military history (the Canadian War Museum). Previously, Dr. Rabinovitch served as an Assistant Deputy Minister in various federal departments, such as Canada's Old Age Security Pension Program, and international relations in Fisheries and Oceans and was responsible for cultural policies and programs in the Department of Canadian Heritage, notably in broadcasting, publishing, copyright and museums. Before joining the Public Service, Dr. Rabinovitch was the National Secretary for Health and Safety with the Canadian Labour Congress. He is currently a Fellow of the School of Policy Studies at Queen's University; Chairman of the Friends of the International Council for Canadian Studies; and a Board member of the City of Gatineau Economic Development Corporation.

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Rosanna Scotti is the Director, Strategic & Corporate Policy in the City Manager's Office in the City of Toronto. Her responsibilities include Corporate Intergovernmental & International Relations; Council Governance, Strategic Planning and Priority Setting; Diversity Management and Community Engagement; and Governance structures for City agencies, boards, commissions and corporations. Her positions with the former Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto included Director, Corporate Policy & Planning, Director Corporate Administration, Executive Director, Metro Chairman's Office, and Director Multicultural and Race Relations. Rosanna's public sector career began with the Federal Government's Secretary of State Department in the social development sector.

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ABOUT THE CANADA-UK COLLOQUIA

Purpose

The Canada-United Kingdom Colloquia is a bilateral organisation which convenes annual meetings between the two countries to bring together officials, businessmen, academics, parliamentarians, media and others who wish to share views and discuss matters of public policy and mutual interest.

Status

On the British side the colloquia has the status of a private company with limited liability, but it is also registered as a charity body. It is run by the membership, which is known as the British Committee, from which an executive board, the Council of Management, is elected annually. The Canadian side is run by Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario. The organisation and activity of the Colloquia is funded in part by the two governments and in part by sponsorship from the private sector. The Canada-United Kingdom Colloquia was incorporated in the UK on 28 January 1992.

Activity

Venues for meetings alternate between Canada and the United Kingdom and topics for discussion and the related publication have included –

The Future of Social Welfare Systems in Canada and the UK (Meech Lake 1986)

*Ed Shirley B Seward, Montreal Quebec: The Institute for Research on Public Policy
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Privatisation and Deregulation (Gleneagles 1987)

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Environmental Issues: the Response of Industry and Public Authorities (Glasgow 1991)

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Security Strategy and the Global Economics of Defence Production (Halifax 1998)

Eds. David Haglund and Neil Mcfarlane Kingston, Ontario; School of Policy Studies, Queen's University 1999. ISBN 0-88911-875-2 (1999)

The Dynamics of Decentralisation: Canadian Federalism and British Devolution (County Down Northern Ireland 1999)

Eds. Trevor Salmon and Michael Keating; School of Policy Studies, Queen's University ISBN 0-88911-895-7 (2001)

Governing Food: Science, Safety and Trade (Saskatoon 2000)

Eds. Peter Phillips and Robert Wolfe: School of Policy Studies, Queen's University ISBN 0-88911-897-3 (2001)

The E-Connected World: Risks and Opportunities (Wiston House 2001)

Edited by Dr Stephen Coleman: School of Policy Studies, Queen's University ISBN 0-88911-945-7.

Immigration, Multiculturalism & Citizenship (Toronto 2002)

The Rapporteur's report is available on the Colloquia website www.canada-uk.net.

Science and Public Policy (Bristol 2003)

The Rapporteur's report is available on the Colloquia website www.canada-uk.net.

Transatlantic Identity and International Action (Quebec City 2004)

The Rapporteur's report is available on the Colloquia website www.canada-uk.net.

Cities and National Success (Cardiff 2005)

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Energy Security (Calgary 2006)

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The first Colloquium, attended by some 60 distinguished participants from both countries, was held at Cumberland Lodge in Windsor Great Park in 1971, to examine the bilateral relationship. A return to the same theme took place at the second colloquium held at Leeds University in 1979. The next landmark was at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia in May 1984, when Ministers (Mr MacEachen and Baroness Young) joined a colloquium to discuss "Canada, Britain and the Atlantic Communities : Bilateral Links in a Multilateral World" At this event, the principle of reviewing the bilateral event in the presence of

Ministers together with, in intervening years, meetings on specific topics such as trade, the arts, health care, banking, and international security was established, and meetings in each country alternately have been held annually on this basis ever since. 1986 saw the launch of a British Steering Committee, later to become the British Committee, and in 1991 an Executive Secretary was appointed. On 28th January 1992, the CUKC was incorporated in the UK as a private limited guarantee company. At the Denver Summit in June 1997, Prime Ministers Blair and Chrétien issued a Joint Declaration to mark a programme of modernisation in the bilateral relationship in which there was specific mention of a role for the Canada United Kingdom Colloquia to play in broadening its scope “to include younger participation and a carefully defined focus on issues of immediate concern to the bilateral agenda of both countries”. This has become a major objective.

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