

3/17/09: Pakistan Called to Abandon Violent Religious Extremists; Transcript, Witness Testimonies

- Press Announcement
- Event Transcript
- Photo Gallery (coming soon)
- Opening Remarks of Commission Chair Felice Gaer
- Statement of Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX)

Panel I Testimonies:

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William Milam, Former U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan, Woodrow Wilson Center Senior Policy Scholar

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Steve Coll, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist; President of The New America Foundation

Panel II Testimonies:

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Ali Dayan Hasan, Senior South Asia Researcher, Human Rights Watch (coming soon)

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Azhar Hussain, Vice President for Preventive Diplomacy, International Center for Religion & Diplomacy

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Ayesha Jalal, Professor of History at Tufts University; MacArthur Fellow

Media Coverage

- "Mush agreed to shift stand on Kashmir for army's credibility" (Press Trust of India)

- "Pak madrasas creating atmosphere of intolerance" (Indian Express)

- "Zardari government now weakened: Diplomats" (Times Now)

- "Obama Govt would quietly focus on Kashmir: Ex US diplomat" (Hindustan Times)

- "Obama to keep 'quiet focus' on Kashmir" (The Daily Mail)

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"Musharraf agreed to shift stand on Kashmir in 2006 "(PakTribune)

- "Legitimized violence" (WORLD Magazine)

- "US body wants Pak notified as 'worst violator' of religious liberty" (The Christian Messenger)

Blog Reactions

- "USCIRF holds hearing on religious extremism in Pakistan" (Religion Clause)