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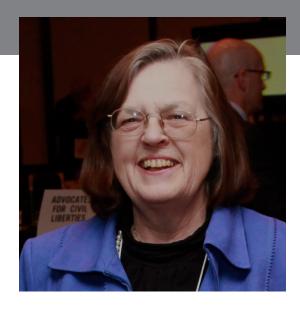




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HERE IS OUR LATEST NEWSLETTER WITH A NEW LOOK THANKS TO THE EFFORTS OF BRIANNA MACGILLIVRAY AND ANDREW WALKER. IT CONTAINS MORE PHOTOS TO REMIND YOU OF THE EXCELLENT EVENTS THE ACC HAS ORGANIZED IN THESE PAST FEW MONTHS, AND TELLS YOU ABOUT A NEW INITIATIVE: THE FIRST JOINT ACC-NATO PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION ROUNDTABLE IN OTTAWA IN JUNE.

YOU WILL BE INTRODUCED TO OUR NEW SUMMER INTERNS. WE ALSO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THOSE INTERNS WHO COMPLETED THEIR TERMS AND WENT ON TO EMPLOYMENT OR FURTHER STUDIES: KAVITA BAPAT, JOELLE FERREIRA, IRINA HVASCHEVSKA, PAVLE LEVKOVIC, AND SIMON MILES. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THEM FOR THEIR VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORK OF THE ACC.

ANOTHER INITIATIVE HAS BEEN THE RETOOLING OF OUR WEBSITE TO MAKE IT MUCH MORE INTERACTIVE. YOU CAN NOW REGISTER FOR EVENTS, PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP, OR MAKE A DONATION ONLINE. THERE ARE LINKS TO VIDEOS OF OUR EVENTS AND INTERVIEWS. NEWS UPDATES AND ANALYTICAL ARTICLES ARE POSTED REGULARLY. YOU CAN EVEN HELP

OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION BY ADVERTISING ON THE ACC WEBSITE.

YOU WILL NOTE FROM THE REPORT OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, THAT JUST AT THIS POINT WHEN THE PROGRAM ACTIVITIES OF THE ACC HAVE NEVER BEEN MORE ROBUST AND TIMELY (AND NEVER MORE NECESSARY) THAT OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION IS NOT. DUE TO GOVERNMENT CUTBACKS AT BOTH FEDERAL AND MUNICIPAL LEVELS, WE LOST TWO VALUABLE FUNDED INTERNSHIP POSITIONS. THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE HAS ALSO CANCELLED THE FUND THAT PROVIDED US WITH GRANTS THAT PARTIALLY SUBSIDIZED OUR CONFERENCES.

I AM ASKING ALL OUR DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS TO SHOW THAT YOU CARE FOR THE VALUABLE SERVICES THE ACC IS PROVIDING BY ASSISTING US IN ANY WAY YOU CAN, THROUGH RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS, ATTENDING OUR EVENTS, MAKING DONATIONS, HELPING US OBTAIN SPONSORSHIPS, ADVERTISING ON OUR WEBSITE, AND SUGGESTING OTHER WAYS OF RAISING FUNDS.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF CANADA TRUST TO RECEIVE GIFTS AND BEQUESTS. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF DIRECTOR PATRICK CURTIS, WE WILL BE EMBARKING ON A FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE TO ENSURE A STEADY, FUTURE SOURCE OF INCOME FOR THE COUNCIL. I AM HOPING THAT YOU WILL RESPOND GENEROUSLY WHEN YOU ARE APPROACHED BY HIM OR ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE OR ACC STAFF.

HAVE A GOOD SUMMER!

J. Q. Call



NEW ADDITIONS TO THE ACC



BRIANNA MACGILLIVRAY IS AN ECONOMIC POLICY ANALYST AND CONFERENCE COORDINATOR AT THE ACC. SHE COMPLETED A BA IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT GLENDON COLLEGE, YORK UNIVERSITY WITH A FOCUS IN GLOBAL POLITICAL ECONOMY AND IRANIAN CULTURE AND POLITICS. IN 2010, BRIANNA CO-HOSTED AN IRANIAN SOCIAL-POLITICAL CONFERENCE AND CONTEMPORARY ARTS EXHIBITION. WHILE AT THE ACC, BRIANNA HOPES TO EXAMINE THE WESTERN SANCTIONS REGIME ON IRAN AND WIDER DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL SYSTEM. HAILING FROM THE UNITED STATES, BRIANNA ALSO HAS A PASSION FOR MUSIC, DESIGN AND PHILOSOPHY TO WHICH SHE HOPES TO SHARE THROUGH THE COORDINATION OF POLITICAL ARTS EVENTS AT THE ACC. THIS NEWSLETTER LAYOUT WAS THOUGHTFULLY DESIGNED AND FORMATTED BY BRIANNA.



FATIMA NANAVATI IS THE DIRECTOR OF MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS AT THE ACC, WHILE ALSO FOCUSING ON CONFERENCE COORDINATION. SHE HAS RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A YEAR OF STUDY ABROAD IN PARIS AND WILL BE MOVING TO MANHATTAN IN ORDER TO COMPLETE HER DEGREES IN POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT NEW YORK UNIVERSITY. AS AN ADVENTURING-NOMAD, FATIMA WILL BE TRAVELING TO INDIA, GUATEMALA, AND MOROCCO IN ORDER TO PURSUE CHARITABLE WORKS WITH HER ORGANIZATION, FEAR LIBERATED INTERNATIONAL. WITH THIS, SHE HAS NEWLY SUBMITTED AND PRESENTED HER RESEARCH ON 'BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY USING CIVIL SOCIETY AS A HANDY TOOL' TO THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ARTS AND SCIENCE. FATIMA HOPES TO ONE DAY BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL LAWYER.



ANDREW WALKER IS A RECENT GRADUATE OF DALHOUSIE
UNIVERSITY'S HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE PROGRAM,
WHERE HE FOCUSED ON COLD WAR HISTORY AND
INTERNATIONAL SECURITY. AFTER A YEAR OF TEACHING
HIGH SCHOOL AT TRINITY COLLEGE SCHOOL IN PORT HOPE,
ANDREW BEGAN HIS INTERNSHIP WITH THE ACC IN MAY 2012,
OPERATING AS A MARITIME SECURITY ANALYST. THROUGH
THIS APPOINTMENT, ANDREW HOPES TO DEVELOP HIS SKILLS
IN THE FIELDS OF MARITIME SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE
STUDIES, FOCUSING IN PARTICULAR ON MARITIME TERRORISM,
HOMELAND DEFENCE, AND ECONOMIC "CHOKE POINTS". ANDREW
IS INTERESTED IN EXPLORING HOW ECONOMIC VIOLENCE CAN
AFFECT NATIONAL SECURITY.



JOELLE WESTLUND IS AN ASIAN SECURITY ANALYST AT THE ACC. SHE IS CURRENTLY COMPLETING A MASTER'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO. JOELLE HOLDS A BA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AND HAS BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN VARIOUS RESEARCH PROJECTS WITH ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS. IN 2010, JOELLE WORKED IN KENYA AND TANZANIA FOR FIVE MONTHS ON CIDA FUNDED PROJECTS WHERE SHE FOCUSED PRIMARILY ON GENDER EQUALITY. HER RECENT STUDIES OF CONFLICT RESOLUTION IN ARAB-ISRAELI RELATIONS AT THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY IN JERUSALEM HAVE MADE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO HER CURRENT FOCUS ON THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN CONFLICT MANAGEMENT EFFORTS.

EVENTS IN REVIEW



Hungry for Stability: Food Security Challenges for the 21st Century

ON 10 JANUARY 2012, THE ACC
WELCOMED SPEAKERS DR. CHRISTOPHER
GORE, DR. MUSTAFA KOC AND DR.
CECILIA ROCHA FROM THE CENTRE FOR
STUDIES IN FOOD SECURITY AT RYERSON
UNIVERSITY. THEY WERE INVITED TO
PARTICIPATE IN OUR ROUNDTABLE
DISCUSSION ENTITLED, "HUNGRY
FOR STABILITY: FOOD SECURITY
CHALLENGES FOR THE 21ST CENTURY."

COORDINATORS JOELLE FERREIRA
AND NABILA QURESHI FELT IT WAS
IMPORTANT TO EXAMINE THE OFTEN
UNDERESTIMATED IMPACT THAT THE
PRODUCTION AND SUPPLY OF FOOD CAN
HAVE ON TRADE, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND
CONFLICT IN ANY GIVEN REGION.

DR KOC OFFERED A CRITICAL ANALYSIS
OF HOW FOOD INSECURITY IS AFFECTING

STABILITY IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND

WITH THE WESTERN WORLD. DR.
GORE EXPLORED PROBLEMS WITH AND
APPROACHES TO ENVIRONMENTALLY
SUSTAINABLE FOOD SECURITY
INITIATIVES IN AFRICA. DR ROCHA,
MEANWHILE, SPOKE ABOUT HER WORK
IN BRAZIL THAT CONTRIBUTED TO A
SUCCESSFUL POLICY CAMPAIGN TO MAKE
FOOD SECURITY A HUMAN RIGHT IN THE
BRAZILIAN CONSTITUTION.

AN ENGAGED AUDIENCE PRESSED THE SPEAKERS WITH SERIOUS QUESTIONS, INCITING AN HONEST AND REALISTIC DISCUSSION OF WHY FOOD SECURITY MATTERS, AND HOW WE MIGHT BEGIN TO SERIOUSLY ADDRESS ITS CHALLENGES.

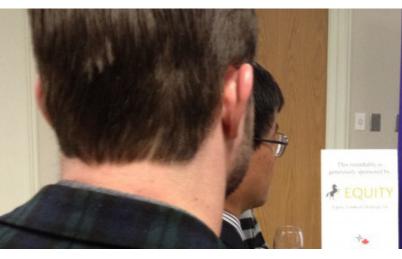
Re-evaluating the Afghan Balance of Power and Culture of Jihad

IN THE MIDST OF A VERY BUSY MONTH,
THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF CANADA
WAS DELIGHTED TO HAVE MAJOR J. J.
MALEVICH LEAD ANOTHER ENGAGING
ROUNDTABLE TALK ON MARCH 15TH, 2012
ON "THE AFGHAN BALANCE OF POWER
AND THE CULTURE OF JIHAD." THE
EVENT WAS GENEROUSLY SPONSORED
BY EQUITY FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC.
AND WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. DRAWING
ON HIS OWN EXPERIENCES AS A MEMBER
OF THE STRATEGIC ADVISORY TEAM

A THREE-WAY COMPETITION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT, TRIBAL ELDERS AND THE RELIGIOUS ELEMENTS OF SOCIETY. HE HIGHLIGHTED THE OFTEN OVERLOOKED ROLE OF THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS IN AFGHANISTAN -- THE MULLAHS -- AS A FACTOR IN SHAPING THE CONFLICT.

MAJOR MALEVICH ALSO TOUCHED ON THE FASCINATING HISTORY AND CULTURE OF AFGHANISTAN, PREVIOUS STATE-BUILDING EFFORTS IN THE COUNTRY, AND THE LESSONS WE MIGHT DRAW FROM THE HISTORICAL ATTEMPTS BY THE WEST TO ENGAGE WITH ITS POPULATION.

THE PRESENTATION WAS FOLLOWED BY



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IN AFGHANISTAN, MAJOR MALEVICH
PRESENTED HIS OWN TAKE ON THE
SITUATION TO AN INTERESTED CROWD OF
MEMBERS, STUDENTS, AND FRIENDS OF THE
ATLANTIC COUNCIL.

AMONG THE TOPICS DISCUSSED, MAJOR
MALEVICH MADE THE CASE FOR A
REASSESSMENT OF THE POWER DYNAMICS
SHAPING THE CURRENT CONFLICT IN
AFGHANISTAN. IN HIS OPINION, THE
DRIVER OF INSTABILITY CONTINUES TO BE

POSED SEVERAL TOUGH QUESTIONS TO THE SPEAKER. THE MOST BURNING QUESTIONS NATURALLY RELATED TO WHAT THE FUTURE MIGHT HOLD FOR AFGHANISTAN IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT NATO'S MISSION IS SET TO CONCLUDE IN 2014. GUESTS WERE LIKEWISE INTERESTED IN WHY THE WEST GOT IT WRONG IN AFGHANISTAN AND THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE EXPERIENCE.

A Q&A PERIOD DURING WHICH GUESTS



MAJOR MALEVICH ALSO USED THIS TIME TO ELABORATE ON HIS OWN EXPERIENCES IN THE COUNTRY AND SHARED SEVERAL THOUGHTFUL ANECDOTES.

Canada and the New Middle East

BY JASON WISEMAN

THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF CANADA AND THE ADVOCATES FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES HELD A VERY SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE ON MARCH 28 ENTITLED 'CANADA AND THE NEW MIDDLE EAST'. WITH OVER 350 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE, THIS CONFERENCE FEATURED INCREDIBLE HIGH-PROFILE SPEAKERS SUCH AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CSIS RAYMOND BOISVERT, RCMP SUPERINTENDENT DOUG BEST, FORMER SENIOR TRADE COMMISSIONER MIKE WARD AND NATIONAL POST JOURNALIST PETER GOODSPEED.

WITH A RANGE OF TOPICS COVERED,
THE CONFERENCE HELPED ILLUMINATE
THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES
FACING CANADA'S NATIONAL INTERESTS
IN THIS VOLATILE REGION. SET
AMIDST THE BACKDROP OF THE ARAB
SPRING, OUR SPEAKERS DISCUSSED
HOW CANADA'S ECONOMIC, POLITICAL
AND SECURITY CONCERNS SHOULD
BE ADDRESSED AND REMINDED THE
AUDIENCE OF THE IMPORTANCE TO
REMAIN VIGILANT IN OUR ONGOING
PURSUIT OF PEACE, SECURITY AND
TRADE BETWEEN CANADA AND THE
WIDER MIDDLE EASTERN REGION.

BEGINNING WITH OPENING REMARKS
FROM FOREIGN MINISTER JOHN BAIRD
WHO EXPLAINED WHAT CANADA'S
NATIONAL INTERESTS ARE IN THE
MIDDLE EAST, IT WAS MADE CLEAR
THAT THE ARAB SPRING HAS BROUGHT
PRESSING CHALLENGES TO OTTAWA'S
DOORSTEP. IN CANADA'S EFFORTS TO
HELP PRODUCE A STABLE, PROSPEROUS
AND FREE MIDDLE EAST, THE
CHALLENGES OF STATE REPRESSION,
ECONOMIC CRISES, IRANIAN NUCLEAR
PROLIFERATION AND WIDESPREAD
HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES WEIGH HEAVILY
ON CANADIAN POLICY MAKERS.

FOLLOWED QUICKLY BY OPENING
REMARKS FROM THE ATLANTIC
COUNCIL OF CANADA PRESIDENT JULIE
LINDHOUT, A LIGHT WAS CAST ON
THE ROLE OF NATO AND COLLECTIVE
DEFENCE AND THE IMPORTANCE



OF STRENGTHENING FREE
INSTITUTIONS, ENCOURAGING
DIALOGUE BETWEEN RELEVANT
PARTIES AND THE PROMOTION OF
STABILITY AND WELL-BEING.

THE FIRST PANEL "CANADIAN **ECONOMIC AND ENERGY** INTERESTS IN THE NEW MIDDLE EAST," INCLUDED SUCH NOTABLE SPEAKERS AS LAWRENCE SOLOMON OF THE FINANCIAL POST, FORMER SENIOR TRADE COMMISSIONER TO TURKEY MIKE WARD AND THE MANAGER OF ENERGY PRACTICES FOR U.S. STEEL CANADA ANDY MAHUT. TOGETHER THEY DISCUSSED THE PRESSING CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FACING THE CANADIAN ECONOMY IN LIGHT OF THE ARAB SPRING.

THE SECOND PANEL "CANADIAN NATIONAL SECURITY AND THE NEW MIDDLE EAST," FEATURED **ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF** THE CANADIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (CSIS), RAYMOND BOISVERT, ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE (RCMP) SUPERINTENDENT, DOUG BEST, AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY INTELLIGENCE EXPERT OF THE MACKENZIE INSTITUTE, JOHN THOMPSON. THESE MEN DISCUSSED THE PRESSING SECURITY CHALLENGES FACING CANADIAN CITIZENS AND CANADA'S NATIONAL INTERESTS IN LIGHT OF THE ARAB SPRING.

CONTINUING WITH THE THIRD PANEL "CANADA, IRAN AND THE ARAB SPRING," PETER















GOODSPEED OF THE NATIONAL POST, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR COUNTER-TERRORISM, BOAZ GANOR, AND UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO PROFESSOR, RAMIN JAHANBEGLOO, DISCUSSED THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND SECURITY CHALLENGES FACING CANADIAN CITIZENS AND CANADIAN POLICYMAKERS IN LIGHT OF THE ARAB SPRING.

CONCLUDING WITH THE FOURTH PANEL "CANADA'S HUMAN RIGHTS
CHALLENGES IN THE NEW MIDDLE EAST" NOTABLE SPEAKERS INCLUDED
INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE NAZANIN AFSHIN-JAM, HUMAN
RIGHTS ACTIVIST AND AUTHOR, RAHEEL RAZA, AND HUMAN RIGHTS
ACTIVIST AND FORMER POLITICAL PRISONER MARINA NEMAT. THESE
WOMEN- DISCUSSED THE HUMAN RIGHTS CHALLENGES FACING PEOPLES
THROUGHOUT THE MIDDLE EAST AND WHAT CANADIAN POLICYMAKERS CAN
DO TO ASSIST A HUMAN RIGHTS AGENDA IN LIGHT OF THE ARAB SPRING.









Enlargement to Strengthen NATO'S Role

ON APRIL 18TH WE WERE PROUD TO HOST A ROUNDTABLE EVENT ON THE POSSIBLE ENLARGEMENT OF NATO IN THE BALKANS. OUR TWO DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS INCLUDED THE DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER OF BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, MRS. ANA TRISIC-BABIC AND THE AMBASSADOR OF MACEDONIA, MR. LJUBEN TEVDOVSKI.

MRS. TRISIC-BABIC TOOK THE
OPPORTUNITY TO OUTLINE THE POSITIVE
POLITICAL AND SECURITY CHANGES
WITHIN IN HER COUNTRY AND THE STEPS
THAT BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA HAS TAKEN
TO ENSURE FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE
MEMBERSHIP ACTION PLAN (MAP).

THE DEPUTY FOREIGN MINSTER MADE
THE ARGUMENT THAT NATO MEMBERSHIP
WOULD BE A STABILIZING FORCE,
BRINGING TOGETHER ALL BOSNIAKS,

SERBS, AND CROATS IN A NATIONAL AND INCLUSIVE FRAMEWORK.

MR. TEVDOVSKI HIGHLIGHTED THE ROLE OF MACEDONIA MILITARY SUPPORT FOR THE ISAF MISSION IN AFGHANISTAN. HE ALSO TALKED AT LENGTH REGARDING THE CURRENT DISPUTE BETWEEN MACEDONIA AND GREECE REVOLVING AROUND THE FORMER'S CONSTITUTIONAL NAME AND THE IMPACT THIS HAS HAD ON MACEDONIAN ATTEMPTS TO ACCEDE TO THE ALLIANCE.

THE ACC WAS ALSO PLEASED TO HAVE IN THE AUDIENCE THE CONSULGENERAL OF GREECE IN TORONTO DIMITRIS AZEMPOLOUS AND SARWAR KASHMERI A SENIOR FELLOW AT THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF AMERICA'S INTERNATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAM. THE PARTICIPATION OF THESE TWO GENTLEMEN LED TO A LIVELY DEBATE AND DISCUSSION ON NATO ENLARGEMENT IN THE AREA DURING THE Q&A PERIOD.

Tribute Dinner 2012







ON APRIL 26TH, THE ACC WAS DELIGHTED TO RECOGNIZE TWO DISTINGUISHED INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AT THE 2012 ANNUAL TRIBUTE DINNER, HELD AT HART HOUSE, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

FOR HIS PHILANTHROPY, BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENTS, AND LONG-TIME SUPPORT OF THE ACC AND THE ATLANTIC CLUB OF BULGARIA, DR. KANEFF WAS PRESENTED WITH THE 2011 ST. LAURENT AWARD. THE AWARD WAS CREATED TO RECOGNIZE AN INDIVIDUAL FOR AN OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION AT HOME OR ABROAD TO THE IDEALS OF PEACE AND ORDER.

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL (RET'D) CHARLES BOUCHARD RECEIVED THE 2011 AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. HE SERVED NEARLY 40 YEARS WITH THE CANADIAN FORCES AND WAS MOST RECENTLY THE COMMANDER OF THE NATO MISSION OVER LIBYA.

AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, THE HONOUREES WERE JOINED BY THEIR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS THE ACC COMMUNITY. THE EVENING STARTED WITH A LIVELY RECEPTION WHERE GUESTS HAD A CHANCE TO MINGLE BEFORE THE FORMALITIES GOT UNDERWAY, DURING THE DINNER, ALL WERE TREATED TO A SHORT PRESENTATION BY LGEN BOUCHARD ON HIS INSIGHTS GLEANED AS A MISSION COMMANDER, GUESTS ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR DR. KANEFF SPEAK ABOUT HIS LIFE AS A BULGARIAN-CANADIAN AND THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF BOTH COUNTRIES IN INFORMING HIS CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES.



From Sea to Sea: The Search for Maritime Security

BY ANDREW WALKER

ON MAY 30TH, AT THE GEORGE IGNATIEFF THEATRE, THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF CANADA (ACC) GATHERED **OVER TWELVE HIGH-RANKING** THEORISTS, POLICY MAKERS, AND PRACTITIONERS TO PRESENT ON ISSUES RELATING TO MARITIME SECURITY IN NATIONAL, CONTINENTAL, AND GLOBAL CONTEXTS. PUT ON BY THE ACC'S OWN SENIOR ANALYST JAMES BRIDGER, "FROM SEA TO SEA: THE SEARCH FOR MARITIME SECURITY" GATHERED AN AUDIENCE UPWARDS OF 100 INDIVIDUALS THAT DREW TOGETHER MANY NAVAL INTERESTS IN CENTRAL CANADA, INCLUDING BOTH THE CANADIAN AND AMERICAN COAST GUARDS, NAVAL OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION OF CANADA, TORONTO PORT AUTHORITY, THE RCMP, ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY, THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF HMCS YORK, AND THE TORONTO SEARCH AND RESCUE INITIATIVE.

THE DAY BEGAN WITH ACC CHAIRMAN
THE HONOURABLE BILL GRAHAM
REMINDING THE AUDIENCE OF AN OFTEN
FORGOTTEN GEOGRAPHICAL FACT IN
CANADA, "WE ARE STILL A MARITIME
NATION". THIS MESSAGE WAS AN OPEN

ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT MARITIME
BLINDNESS IN CENTRAL CANADA HAS
BEEN A CRITICAL ISSUE FOR FAR TOO
LONG. IF CITIZENS IN THE CENTRAL
PROVINCES DO NOT DEVELOP A STRONGER
UNDERSTANDING OF CANADA'S MARITIME
REALITIES, THEY WILL NOT DEMAND
AND PUSH FOR A LARGER MARITIME
PRESENCE. AS CENTRAL CANADA IS
THE BASE OF BUSINESS, MEDIA, AND
POLITICAL ENGINES IN THE COUNTRY,
THIS KEY DISCONNECT INHIBITS
COOPERATIVE EFFORTS IN DEVELOPING A
STRONGER CAPABILITY IN THE MARITIME
DOMAIN.

DESPITE THE BROAD RANGE OF THEMES DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE, EACH PANEL NOTED ONE PARTICULAR ISSUE: THE THREATS WE FACE HAVE CHANGED. RETIRED VICE-ADMIRAL DEAN McFADDEN SAID IT BEST IN HIS CLOSING SPEECH ON THE CHALLENGES AHEAD FOR ALLIED NAVAL FORCES, "IF SOMEONE TEN YEARS AGO HAD SAID THAT THE NAVAL FORCES OF NATO, THE EUROPEAN UNION, CHINA, INDIA, AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WOULD DEPLOY OFF THE HORN OF AFRICA TO COUNTER THE RAPID RISE OF PIRACY I THINK THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN LAUGHED AT." FURTHER, REAR-ADMIRAL DAVID GARDAM EXPLAINED, "IT'S ABOUT BEING AWARE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR BACKYARD,

APPROPRIATELY." THE HON.
BILL GRAHAM THEN TIED THESE
ISSUES TOGETHER, "HOPEFULLY
A CONFERENCE OF THIS NATURE...
BY FOCUSING ON THE ISSUES, BY
MAKING US ALL AWARE OF FIRST:
WHAT THOSE THREATS ARE... WILL
SECONDLY HELP US FOCUS ON
HOW WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE OUR
POLITICAL MASTERS TO ENSURE
THAT WE HAVE THE RESOURCES
REQUIRED TO DEAL WITH THEM
[...] MILITARIES ARE FAMOUS FOR
THAT; FIGHTING THE LAST WAR".

NOT ALL DISCUSSIONS WERE OF WHERE ALLIED MARITIME CAPABILITIES NEED TO BE, HOWEVER. FORMER MARITIME COMPONENT COMMANDER FOR OPERATION PODIUM FOR THE 2010 VANCOUVER OLYMPICS. GILLES COUTURIER, OFFERED A PROMISING ANALYSIS OF THE JOINT INTER-AGENCY CAPABILITIES THAT CANADA POSSESSES AND INDICATED THAT IT COULD SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT FOR GLOBALLY IMPORTANT EVENTS. ADDITIONALLY, THE CONFERENCE ADDRESSED A "HOLISTIC" APPROACH TO MARITIME SECURITY; THE IDEA THAT THE SECURITY OF THE GREAT LAKES, ARCTIC, NORTH AMERICA, AND BEYOND OUR SHORES ARE ALL CONNECTED AND SHOULD BE DEALT WITH AS SUCH BY THE PROPER GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS INCLUDING THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY, COAST GUARD, AND EXPEDITIONARY ARMED FORCES.







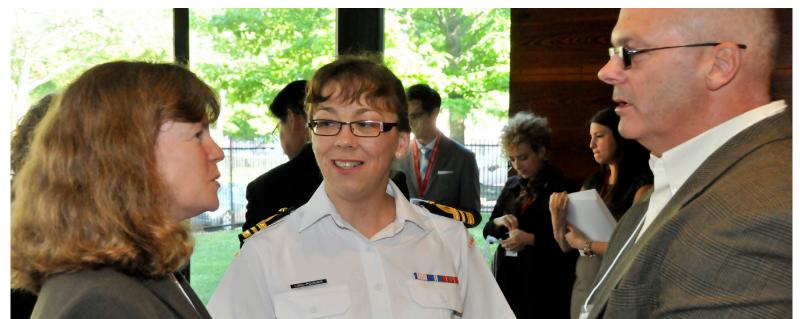














THE AUDIENCE AT TRINITY COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO, WAS TREATED WITH AN ESPECIALLY ENLIGHTENING MID-DAY INTERVIEW OF RENOWNED JOURNALIST AND NAVAL RESERVIST, PETER NEWMAN. HONOURARY CAPTAIN AND PROMOTER OF ALL THINGS NAVAL IN TORONTO, SONJA BATA GRACEFULLY LED THE INTERVIEW WHILE A CAPTIVATED AUDIENCE COULD NOT HELP BUT ABSORB THE HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE SHARED BETWEEN THE TWO MARITIME ICONS.

IN CLOSING, (RET'D) VICE-ADMIRAL MCFADDEN NOTED, THAT CAPACITY BUILDING MUST BECOME A LARGER PART OF ALLIED FORCES FOREIGN ENGAGEMENT, AND THAT THE VARIETY OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THESE FORCES ARE MUCH WIDER THAN GUNBOAT DIPLOMACY. AS THE CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEAKER, HE LEFT THE AUDIENCE WITH A FRANK APPRAISAL,

"THE EXISTENCE OF STABLE GLOBAL MARITIME ORDER HAS BEEN SUCH A LONG-STANDING AND INNOCUOUS PUBLIC GOOD THAT WE'VE NOT NEEDED TO PAY IT MUCH MIND. IT HAD, WITHIN OUR LIFETIMES, BEEN BROUGHT TO A HIGH STATE OF PERFECTION, NOT THROUGH THE CLASH OF ARMS, BUT THROUGH THE NEGOTIATION OF STATESMEN. BUT THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA (UNCLOS) CANNOT BE THE HIGHWATER MARK FROM WHICH WE RETREAT. [...] IF WE DON'T APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GLOBAL MARITIME ORDER ON WHICH SO MUCH OF WHAT WE HAVE IS BASED AND THAT THIS ORDER IS NOT SACROSANCT AND CAN BE ALTERED IN WAYS NOT ONLY INJURIOUS TO US, BUT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN KIND, WE WILL NOT SUMMON THE WILL TO BE VIGILANT IN ITS DEFENCE. THAT ORDER MUST NOT ONLY BE MAINTAINED, BUT BE IMPLEMENTED MORE EFFECTIVELY THAN IT HAS BEEN. THAT, I BELIEVE IS THE FUNDAMENTAL CHALLENGE WE WILL FACE IN THIS MARITIME CENTURY."









Annual General Meeting

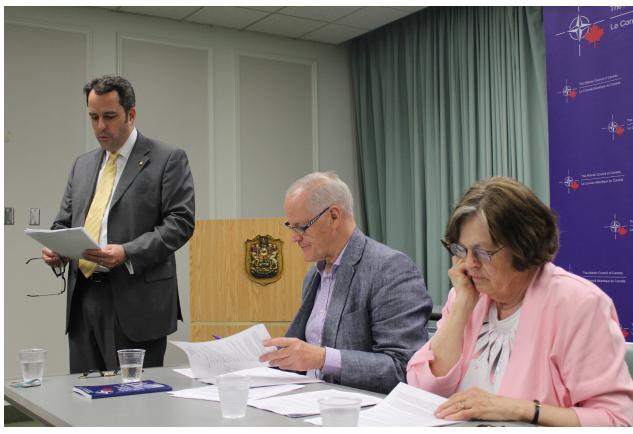
ON JUNE 11, THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL HELD ITS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO DISCUSS UPCOMING EVENTS. TOPPING THE LIST, FUNDRAISING WILL BE OF EXPRESS IMPORTANCE THIS YEAR BECAUSE OF GOVERNMENT CUTBACKS TO FUNDING. WITH A SERIES OF DIFFERENT SPONSORSHIP PLANS AND BENCHMARKS PUT IN PLACE, ACC INTERNS WILL BE STEADILY WORKING ON THIS PROJECT IN THE FORTHCOMING MONTHS, YET TO REACH THESE GOALS, THE ACC IS GREATLY DEPENDING ON INCREASED SUPPORT AND ENTHUSIASM FROM ITS DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS. HELP US KEEP THE EVENTS BRIGHT; HELP US KEEP THE LIGHTS ON!

PRESIDENT, JULIE LINDHOUT OUTLINED UPCOMING EVENTS WHICH INCLUDE THE ANNUAL TOUR OF NATO HEADQUARTERS IN SEPTEMBER, AS WELL AS THE ACC GALA IN OCTOBER IN HONOUR OF THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE. IN OTHER

PROGRAMMING, INTERNS AT THE ACC ARE WORKING ON PUTTING TOGETHER MORE MARITIME SECURITY RELATED EVENTS, A POLITICAL ARTS SERIES, AND EXPANDING THE COUNCIL'S PARTNERSHIPS WITH WOMEN IN DEFENCE.

THE MEETING WAS CONCLUDED WITH SPECIAL GUEST, PETER NEWMAN OFFERING DELIGHTFUL COMMENTARY ON HIS EXPERIENCES IN THE CANADIAN NAVY, FOLLOWED BY A WINE RECEPTION.





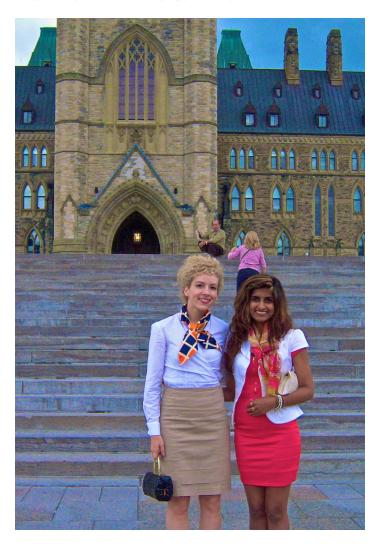
THE NATO PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION MEETING, OTTAWA

FOLLOWING THE HIGHLY ANTICIPATED CHICAGO SUMMIT, THE ACC ORGANIZED A JOINT MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF THE NATO PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION IN OTTAWA ON JUNE 6 TO DISCUSS PROGRESS AND FURTHER OUTLINE THE DIRECTION OF NATO'S STRATEGIC POLICY TO COME. THREE MAJOR THEMES THAT WERE REVISITED IN THE MEETING INCLUDED, AFGHANISTAN, MILITARY CAPABILITIES, AND PARTNERSHIPS, AS PRESENTED BY MR. PAUL CHAPLIN AND DISCUSSED BY MP CHERYL GALLANT, SENATOR HUGH SEGAL, AND ACC PRESIDENT, JULIE LINDHOUT.

WITH GOVERNMENTS FORCED TO MAKE STRICT CUTBACKS TO MILITARY SPENDING AMID AUSTERITY MEASURES, THE **ECONOMIC DIMENSION OF COLLECTIVE** DEFENCE CONSIDERATIONS WILL BE SIGNIFICANT IN THE COMING YEARS. "SMART DEFENCE" INITIATIVES, IN WHICH THE JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF MILITARY CAPABILITIES ALONG BI-NATIONAL AND MULTI-NATIONAL LINES IN AREAS WHERE NATO IS DEFICIENT, TOPPED THE AGENDA. IT IS HOPED THAT THIS POLICY WILL LEAD TO GREATER DEFENCE DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIZATION, FILLING GAPS IN TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT WHERE COUNTRIES CAN NO LONGER AFFORD TO INVEST INDIVIDUALLY IN PROJECTS. MRS. GALLANT POINTED TO ESTONIA'S SUCCESS IN ELIMINATING THE COSTS OF SUSTAINING AN AIR FORCE IN ORDER TO BUILD AN INCREASINGLY SOPHISTICATED CYBER DEFENCE SYSTEM. NATO DEFENCE BUDGETS HAVE DROPPED BETWEEN 10 AND 30 PERCENT WITH MILITARY

CAPABILITIES DECLINING ACCORDINGLY,
MAKING COLLECTIVE DEFENCE AND JOINT
TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT MORE OF
AN ECONOMIC IMPERATIVE THAN EVER
BEFORE.

YET AS EVIDENCED BY THE PARTICIPATION OF SOME 30 NON-NATO COUNTRIES IN AFGHANISTAN, THE EXPANSION OF NATO MAY ALSO BE A DIVISIVE MATTER AMONG EXISTING MEMBERS, FORMALIZING PARTNERSHIPS WOULD MEAN A LENGTHIER DECISION-MAKING PROCESS AND EXPANDED MANAGEMENT IN FUTURE OPERATIONS. EUROPEAN MEMBER STATES ARE OFTEN RELUCTANT TO THE IDEA OF NATO BECOMING TOO INVOLVED IN CONFLICTS OUTSIDE OF THE DEFENCE OF EUROPE. CONVERSELY AS SENATOR HUGH SEGAL MENTIONED, WHETHER NORTH AMERICA IS AS WILLING FOR THE ORGANIZATION TO BECOME ANY MORE EUROPEAN IN ITS



ADMITTANCE OF NEW MEMBER STATES
IS ANOTHER CONCERN. DESPITE
THESE ISSUES, THERE APPEARS TO BE
INCREASING RECOGNITION AMONG THE
ALLIANCE THAT AS SECURITY ISSUES
CONTINUE TO SURPASS THE CONFINES OF
THE EURO-ATLANTIC ARENA, INFORMAL
COOPERATION WITH PARTNERS WILL NO
LONGER BE ADEQUATE.

AS THE FULL WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS IN AFGHANISTAN IS DATED FOR 2014, LEADERS ALSO DISCUSSED THE ONGOING LEGACY OF THE ISAF MISSION. SUSTAINING THE AFGHAN ARMY IN THE FUTURE IS PROJECTED TO COST AS MUCH AS \$4.1 BILLION ANNUALLY, A SUM THAT

MANY SUGGEST IS NOT ONLY UNNECESSARY BUT UNSUSTAINABLE. ENCOURAGINGLY, THE NUMBER OF WELL-TRAINED AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES IS STEADILY GROWING. HOWEVER MOST OF THE RECRUITS ORIGINATE FROM THE NORTHERN PROVINCES AS OPPOSED TO THE SOUTHERN PASHTUN REGIONS. THIS FACT POSES THE POTENTIAL PROBLEM OF THE ARMY BECOMING LESS A REFLECTION OF NATIONAL UNITY THAN OF CONTINUED SECTARIAN DIVISION. EQUALLY IMPORTANT, IF THE QUALITY OF CIVIL GOVERNANCE IS NOT SIMULTANEOUSLY IMPROVED, THE ARMY COULD ACTUALLY BECOME TOO POWERFUL IF IT IS REGARDED AS THE ONLY CREDIBLE, NATIONAL INSTITUTION.

UPCOMING EVENTS

From the Shores of Nova Scotia to the Foothills of the Hindu Kush: A Sailor's Experience with the NATO Training Mission in Afghanistan

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COMMANDER HUGUES CANUEL DEPLOYED TO AFGHANISTAN IN JULY 2011 AS THE CANADIAN MISSION IN THAT COUNTRY TRANSITIONED FROM COMBAT OPERATIONS IN THE KANDAHAR PROVINCE TO A TRAINING ROLE IN THE KABUL REGION. COMMANDER CANUEL WAS ASSIGNED TO THE NATO TRAINING MISSION --AFGHANISTAN, SERVING SUCCESSFULLY AS AN ADVISOR TO THE AFGHAN NATIONAL CIVIL ORDER POLICE AND A STAFF OFFICER TO THE DEPUTY COMMANDER SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES. HE WILL DISCUSS THE CHALLENGES OF STANDING THE CANADIAN CONTRIBUTION TO THE

TRAINING MISSION AND NURTURING THE GROWTH OF THE AFGHAN NATIONAL SECURITY FORCES.

A NATIVE OF MATANE, QUEBEC AND A GRADUATE OF THE COLLEGE MILITAIRE ROYAL DE SAINT-JEAN, COMMANDER CANUEL SERVED EXTENSIVELY ON SHIPS OF THE PACIFIC AND ATLANTIC FLEETS, DEPLOYING TWICE TO THE ARABIAN SEA AND HORN-OF-AFRICA REGION SINCE THE DRAMATIC EVENTS OF 9/11 AND RISING TO COMMAND OF THE HALIFAX-BASED HMCS PRESERVER.

COMMANDER CANUEL IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AS DIRECTING STAFF OF THE JOINT COMMAND AND STAFF PROGRAMME AT THE CANADIAN FORCES COLLEGE IN TORONTO AND IS ENROLLED AS A PHD CANDIDATE IN THE WAR STUDIES PROGRAMME AT THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA IN KINGSTON, ONTARIO.



The Future of the Navy-Coast Guard Relationship in Canada

MID-SEPTEMBER 2012, HALIFAX

THE ACC IS PLEASED TO HOST AN UPCOMING ROUNDTABLE WITH RETIRED COMMANDER, KEN HANSEN WHO WILL BE DISCUSSING THE FUTURE OF THE NAVY-COAST GUARD RELATIONSHIP IN CANADA.

KEN HANSEN JOINED THE CENTRE FOR FOREIGN POLICY STUDIES AT DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY AS A RESEARCH FELLOW IN 2010 AFTER FOUR YEARS AS THE HOLDER OF THE NAVAL DEFENCE FELLOWSHIP WITH THE CENTRE. HE IS A LECTURER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE. BEFORE JOINING CFPS, HE WAS THE MILITARY CO-CHAIR OF THE MARITIME STUDIES PROGRAMME AT CANADIAN FORCE COLLEGE IN TORONTO. HE RETIRED FROM THE NAVY IN 2009 IN THE RANK OF COMMANDER AFTER A 32-YEAR CAREER.

KEN IS THE TEAM LEADER FOR THE MARITIME SECURITY POLICY PROGRAM'S

RESEARCH THEME INVESTIGATING PIRACY, ILLEGAL MIGRATION AND CRIME AT SEA. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD FOR CANADIAN NAVAL REVIEW, AND SERVES AS THE MODERATOR FOR BROADSIDES, THE ON-LINE DISCUSSION FORUM OF THE JOURNAL. HE IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE SCIENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HALIFAX REGIONAL MARINE INSTITUTE. HIS RESEARCH INTERESTS INCLUDE MARITIME SECURITY THEORY, NAVAL OPERATIONAL DOCTRINE WITH EMPHASIS ON PLANNING PROCESSES AND LOGISTICAL REQUIREMENTS, AS WELL AS JOINT AND INTERAGENCY DOCTRINE.

KEN HAS EDITED AND CONTRIBUTED TO TWO BOOKS: MARINES: IS AN AMPHIBIOUS CAPABILITY RELEVANT FOR CANADA? AND BREAKING THE BOX: THE INCREASING DEMANDS OF NON-COMBAT ROLES ON MARITIME FORCES, BOTH PUBLISHED BY THE CENTRE FOR FOREIGN POLICY STUDIES. HE HAS WRITTEN NUMEROUS ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL ARTICLES AND IS A FREQUENT COMMENTATOR ON RADIO AND TELEVISION IN CANADA.

PROGRAMS



Maritime Nation

AS A NATION SURROUNDED BY THREE OCEANS AND THE GREAT LAKES, CANADA'S MARITIME SECURITY HAS BEEN OF PREEMINENT IMPORTANCE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY. A SECURE MARINE ENVIRONMENT IS ALSO ESSENTIAL TO CANADA'S PROSPERITY. DESPITE THIS MARKED SIGNIFICANCE, THERE HAS BEEN RECENT CONCERN THAT CANADA HAS SLIPPED INTO A STATE OF "MARITIME BLINDNESS," CHARACTERIZED BY A GENERAL LACK OF AWARENESS CONCERNING ISSUES OF NATIONAL AND GLOBAL OCEANIC SECURITY. THIS PROBLEM IS PARTICULARLY PRONOUNCED IN CENTRAL CANADA, ALONG THE TORONTO-OTTAWA-MONTREAL CORRIDOR.

SEEKING TO ADDRESS THIS WEAKNESS,
THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF CANADA HAS
TAKEN A GREATER ROLE IN INVESTIGATING
AND HIGHLIGHTING THE STRENGTHS AND

WEAKNESSES OF CANADIAN MARITIME SECURITY AND MATTERS CONCERNING OUR SURROUNDING WATERS. OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGE DEBATE ABOUT CANADA'S MOST IMPORTANT FRONTIER.

TO ACHIEVE THAT END, THE ACC IS LOOKING FORWARD TO ESTABLISHING MORE MARITIME PARTNERSHIPS IN THE MILITARY, GOVERNMENTAL, AND INDUSTRIAL SECTORS ACROSS CANADA AND INTERNATIONALLY. WE PLAN TO DEDICATE MORE ORIGINAL RESEARCH AND ARTICLE CONTENT TO MARITIME ISSUES, WHILE CONTINUING TO HOST INSPIRING ROUNDTABLES AND CONFERENCES ON THESE MATTERS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

DELIGHTED BY THE SUCCESS AND ENTHUSIASM SURROUNDING OUR SPRING MARITIME CONFERENCE, THE ACC IS HOPING TO BECOME A LEADING VOICE WITHIN THE MARITIME SECURITY DIALOGUE TO COME.

Global Horizons: High School Outreach

ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL INITIATIVES OF THE ACC CONTINUES TO BE THE HIGH SCHOOL OUTREACH PROGRAM AIMED AT INFORMING STUDENTS ABOUT NATO AND ITS INFLUENCE ON GLOBAL AFFAIRS, AS WELL AS CANADA'S ROLE IN THE ALLIANCE. THE COUNCIL HELPS TO CREATE A CITIZENRY THAT IS MORE AWARE OF OUR COUNTRY'S PLACE IN THE WORLD AND MORE ENGAGED IN THE IMPORTANT DISCUSSIONS THAT WILL DETERMINE OUR FUTURE.

LATEST ONE BEING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO SCHOOL ON JUNE 5, 2012. OVER TIME THE CONTENT OF THE PRESENTATION HAS CHANGED, ALTHOUGH ITS CORE FOCUS IS STILL ON RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT NATO AND ITS ROLE IN THE WORLD.

HOWEVER, RECENTLY THE EMPHASIS HAS
CENTRED MORE ON NATO'S INVOLVEMENT
IN CURRENT AFFAIRS WITH LESS EMPHASIS
ON HISTORY. WE HOPE THAT THIS APPROACH
WILL HELP STUDENTS BETTER UNDERSTAND
AND ANALYZE THE COMPLEX EVENTS
UNFOLDING IN THE WORLD, WHILE ALSO
BETTER COMPLEMENTING THE CURRICULUM



THE HIGH SCHOOL OUTREACH PROGRAM OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED ON JUNE 9TH 2010 AT BUR OAKS SECONDARY SCHOOL IN MARKHAM. TWO GRADE 10 HISTORY CLASSES RECEIVED A 75 MINUTE PRESENTATION ON CANADA'S INVOLVEMENT IN NATO. THIS WAS AN EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL FIRST STEP AND ALYSSA CHAN, THE TEACHER OF ONE OF THE GRADE 10 CLASSES, STATED: "THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT OUR STUDENTS NEEDED!"

SINCE THEN THE ACC HAS CONDUCTED 15 MORE PRESENTATIONS IN HIGH SCHOOLS ACROSS SOUTHERN ONTARIO, WITH THE

IN POLITICS AND WORLD ISSUES CLASSES.

THIS YEAR'S PRESENTATION FOCUSED ON NATO INTERVENTIONS, EXAMINING THE CASE STUDY OF LIBYA AND COMPARING IT TO THE SITUATION IN SYRIA. WE HOPE TO CONTINUE TO ENGAGE STUDENTS WITH MORE INTERACTIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCES TO COME.