

SABAN FORUM 2006 PARTICIPANTS ADDENDUM

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ADAM CHESNOFF

Adam Chesnoff is the President and Chief Operating Officer of Saban Capital Group, Inc., a private investment management firm specializing in the media and entertainment industries. In this position, Chesnoff is responsible for overseeing overall strategy and daily business activities of the three primary areas of the company's activity: public investments, private equity investments, and a music publishing company. Chesnoff directed and formed the investment group that acquired a controlling stake in ProSiebenSat.1 Media, Germany's largest TV broadcasting group. He is Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board of ProSiebenSat.1 and a member of the Board of Directors of Bezeq (The Israel Telecommunication Corp.), Israel's leading telecommunications group. Before joining the Saban Capital Group, Chesnoff spent five years at Fox Family Worldwide where he oversaw business development across all global divisions. From 1994–5, Chesnoff worked at Sony Pictures Entertainment and Columbia Pictures where he focused on strategic planning, financial analysis, and deal structuring in the company's Business Affairs and Corporate Development groups. He has a B.A. from Tel Aviv University and an M.B.A. from the Anderson Business School of the University of California, Los Angeles.

JACKSON DIEHL

Jackson Diehl has worked as a writer and editor at *The Washington Post* since 1978. He has been a correspondent in Latin America, Eastern Europe, and the Middle East, serving as chief of the Jerusalem bureau from 1989-92. He is currently the Deputy Editorial Page Editor and writes a regular column on international affairs.

HAROLD FORD JR.

Harold Ford Jr. is the outgoing Democratic member of the United States House of Representatives for the Ninth District of Tennessee. Ford was first elected to the House in 1996, before running for the United States Senate in November 2006. During the 109th Congress, Ford sat on the House Budget Committee and the House Committee on Financial Services. In September 2004, Ford was appointed by the Joint Forces Command to serve on the Transformation Advisory Group. Ford is also a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of moderate and fiscally conservative Democrats that has built a reputation for promoting positions that bridge the gap

between ideological extremes. Ford co-chairs the Community Solutions and Initiatives Caucus and the Congressional Savings and Ownership Caucus. Ford received a bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School.

MICHAEL IGNATIEFF

Michael Ignatieff was elected to represent the Liberal Party, Canada's official opposition, in the Etobicoke-Lakeshore riding (district) of the House of Commons in January 2006. Previously, Ignatieff was Carr Professor of Human Rights and Director of the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy in the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He was also a contributing writer for *The New York Times Magazine* and a contributor to *The New Yorker*. He is the author of *Isaiah Berlin: A Life*; *The Warrior's Honor: Ethnic War and the Modern Conscience*; *The Lesser Evil: Political Ethics in an Age of Terror*, and 12 other books. His books have been translated into 10 languages, and he has received seven honorary degrees. Ignatieff studied at the University of Toronto and at Oxford University, before completing a Ph.D. at Harvard University.

TOM LANTOS

Congressman Tom Lantos (D-California) represents California's 12th Congressional district, a seat that he has held continuously since 1981. During the 109th Congress he was the ranking Democratic member on the House International Relations Committee. In 1983, Lantos founded the Congressional Human Rights Caucus and continues to serve as its Co-Chairman. Before starting his congressional career, he was an economics professor, an international relations analyst for public television, and a private business consultant. As a teenager during World War II, he participated in the anti-Nazi resistance in Budapest, Hungary. Lantos received a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Washington and a Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley.

JOSEPH LIEBERMAN

Joseph "Joe" Lieberman (D-CT) was recently elected to his fourth term to the U.S. Senate, this time as an independent. During the 109th Congress he was the Ranking Member and former Chairman of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, as well as a member of the Environment

and Public Works Committee. He was also on the Senate Armed Services Committee, where he was Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on AirLand Forces, and a member of the Personnel and Sea Power Subcommittees. He also served as a member of the Senate Small Business Committee. Lieberman was first elected to the United States Senate in 1988, after serving as Connecticut's 21st Attorney General (1983-8). He previously spent two years in private legal practice (1980-2) and ten years in the Connecticut State Senate (1970-80), six of which he spent as Majority Leader. Lieberman is also a former Chairman of the Democratic Leadership Council. He received his bachelor's degree from Yale University and his law degree from Yale Law School.

TZIPI LIVNI

Tzipi Livni currently serves as Israeli Minister of Foreign Affairs following the elections of March 2006 in which she was returned to the Knesset for the Kadima Party. In 2006 she was appointed Israel's Minister of Immigrant Absorption and in 2005 she was appointed Minister of Justice. She had previously been Minister of Housing and Construction from 2004-5. First elected to the Knesset in 1999 for the Likud Party, Livni served in previous governments as Minister of Regional Cooperation, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, and Minister without Portfolio. An attorney by profession, Livni was also an employee of the Mossad and Director of the Registrar of Government Corporations from 1980-4. She served as a Lieutenant in the Israel Defense Forces. Livni has an LL.B. from Bar Ilan University.

SALLAI MERIDOR

Sallai Meridor is the newly appointed Ambassador of Israel to the United States. Meridor has previously served as the Chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel and the World Zionist Organization from 1999-2005. Previously, Meridor was the Treasurer of the Jewish Agency and the World Zionist Organization, and was head of the World Zionist Organization's Settlement Division. Before joining the Jewish Agency, Meridor served as an advisor to the Israeli ministers of defense and of foreign affairs. During his government service he was involved in designing Israel's foreign and defense policies, played a role in the peace process leading to the Madrid Peace Conference—participating in the subsequent negotiations as the representative of the Israeli Ministry of Defense—and led Israel's Inter-Agency Steering Committee on

Arms Control. Meridor has a B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

ALAN PINO

Alan Pino became the National Intelligence Officer for Near East on the National Intelligence Council in September 2005. Previously, he was Chief of the Arab-Israeli Group in the Central Intelligence Agency's Directorate of Intelligence (2000-5) and Chief of the Analysis Group, Director of Central Intelligence's Counterterrorist Center (1998-2000). Pino joined the Directorate of Intelligence as an analyst covering the Middle East in 1983 and had prior experience with the National Intelligence Council as Deputy National Intelligence Officer for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs (1989-90). Pino has received the George H.W. Bush Award for Excellence in Counterterrorism and the Director's Award from former Director of Central Intelligence George Tenet for outstanding service. Pino has a master's from the University of Virginia.

JACK REED

Jack Reed is the senior United States Senator from Rhode Island (D-RI). He was first elected to the Senate in 1996 and during the 109th Congress was senior member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and was a member of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee and the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. Reed was also the senior Democrat on the Joint Economic Committee. Before his election to the Senate, Reed was elected for three consecutive terms to represent Rhode Island's 2nd Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives (1990-6). He was previously a Rhode Island State Senator (1984-90) for three successive terms. Before entering politics, Reed was an attorney with Edwards and Angell in Rhode Island and before then with Sutherland, Asbill and Brennan in the District of Columbia. Reed served in the 82nd Airborne Division as an Army Ranger and paratrooper. A graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point, from which he has a B.S., Reed also has an M.P.P. from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

CHARLES ROSE

Charles "Charlie" Rose has hosted *Charlie Rose* on PBS since 1991 and has been syndicated since 1993. Rose was previously a correspondent for *60 Minutes II* and an executive producer of *Bill Moyers' Journal*.

Rose worked for CBS News from 1984-90 as the anchor of *CBS News Nightwatch* and won an Emmy Award in 1987. His work on "A Conversation with Jimmy Carter" won him a 1976 Peabody Award. Rose received his B.A. and J.D. from Duke University. Rose has also attended New York University's Stern School of Business.

PUNEET TALWAR

Puneet Talwar is a senior staff member on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He is the chief advisor on the Middle East to Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr. (D-DE), who is due to assume the Chairmanship of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in 110th Congress in January 2007. He served in the Clinton Administration as a member of the U.S. Department of State's Policy Planning Staff. He also worked as a foreign policy advisor to Congressman Thomas C. Sawyer (D-OH) and was an official with the United Nations (1990-2). He holds a bachelor's degree from Cornell University and a master's degree from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs.

YULI TAMIR

Yli Tamir is Israel's Minister of Education following her election to the 17th Knesset for the Israeli Labor Party. Tamir was also served in the 16th Knesset as an active member of the Knesset Committees on Education, Finance, the Constitution, and Corruption. She first entered the Knesset in 1999, and during the subsequent 15th Knesset she was the Minister of

Immigrant Absorption (1999-2001). Tamir has served on the boards of the Israel Civil Rights Association, the Jerusalem Foundation (1998-9) and the Israel Democracy Institute (1995-9). She was previously she was a Professor of Political Philosophy at the Tel Aviv University and has been a Research Fellow at the Hartman Institute in Jerusalem, Princeton and Harvard. In 1980, Tamir joined the Women's Lobby and the Ratz Party and in 1978 she helped to found *Shalom Ashav* (Peace Now). She has a B.A., summa cum laude, and an M.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and a D.Phil. from Oxford University.

J. RICHARD WATERS

J. Richard Waters has served as Director for Israel, Palestinian, Jordanian and Egyptian Affairs at the National Security Council since August 2006. Before his current assignment, Waters was Deputy Director of the Office of Israeli and Palestinian Affairs at the Department of State. Previously he served as Senior Political Officer for Israeli and Palestinian Affairs, Staff Assistant to Ambassadors C. David Welch and William Joseph Burns, and had overseas tours in Quito, Ecuador, and Beijing, China. Before joining the Foreign Service, Waters served as a Presidential Management Fellow in the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs in the U.S. Department of State. He also worked as a Research Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy and as a Consultant at the Crocker Group. Waters earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service.