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TUESDAY EVENING LECTURE PROGRAMME ON  
THE CONTEMPORARY MIDDLE EAST: 2007/08

***Isolation or Integration?  
The Armenians in Turkey Today***

**Hratch Tchilingirian**

Judge Business School,  
University of Cambridge

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February – 5.30pm  
Khalili Lecture Theatre, SOAS**

**All Welcome**

This lecture is free and there is no need to book.

Tea and biscuits are available from 5pm.

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the entrance fee. Tickets £295 (MEA Members)/£395 (Non-MEA Members) - To register please see contact details below. Venue details MEA, Bury House, 33 Bury Street, London SW1Y 6AX. Information T 020 7839 2137 F 020 7839 6121 E info@the-mea.co.uk W www.the-mea.co.uk

5:30 pm | **Human Rights Friction in Palestine** (Lecture) Lori Allen, University of Cambridge. Organised by: London Middle East Institute, SOAS (LMEI). Part of the LMEI's Tuesday Evening Lecture Programme on the Contemporary Middle East. Tea and biscuits available from 5pm. Tickets Admission free. Venue details Khalili Lecture Theatre, SOAS, Russell Square, London WC1H 0XG. Information T 020 7898 4330 E lmei@soas.ac.uk W www.lmei.soas.ac.uk

5:30 pm | **Libya's Oil and Gas Resources: current developments and prospects for the future** (Lecture) Daniel Clark-Lowes; Craig Macmahon; Paul Bennett. Organised by: Society for Libyan Studies and the Libyan British Business Council. Tickets Admission free. Venue details British Academy, 10, Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1Y 5AH. Information E sstrong@btclick.com W www.britac.ac.uk/institutes/libya/

6:00 pm | **Play of Frames and Social Identities** (Book Launch) Alexandra Georgakopoulou, King's College London; Bengi Rona, SOAS; Normann Jorgensen, University of Copenhagen. Organised by: Byzantine & Modern Greek Studies, King's College London, Turkish Studies Programme at SOAS and the Greek-Turkish Encounters Series. The launch of 'Play of Frames and Social Identities', by Dr Vally Lytra, King's College London, a sociolinguistic study of children's talk and how they interact with one another and their teachers in multilingual, multicultural and multiethnic schools. The book offers the reader a unique look into the ways in which children draw upon their rich interactional histories and share, transform and recontextualize linguistic and other semiotic resources in circulation to construct play frames and explore, adopt, resist available as well as novel social roles and identities. This book will be of interest to scholars, researchers and students of sociolinguistics, discourse analysis, cultural studies, and multicultural education. Tickets Admission free. Venue details Council Room, King's College London, Strand, London WC2R 2LS. Information E vally.lytra@pobox.com

6:15 pm | **Half Moon** (Film) Please see listing for Friday 1 February.

7:00 pm | **From the Front Line** (Talk) Veteran war reporter and best-selling novelist James Meek discusses his new novel set in Afghanistan, 'We Are Now Beginning Our Descent', and the emotional impact of reporting on conflict. Tickets £5/£3 - Box Office T 0870 429 6883. Venue details Soho Theatre, 21 Dean Street, London W1D 3NE. Information T 020 7287 5060 F 020 7287

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**Human Rights Friction in Palestine**  
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26 FEBRUARY  
**Defeat: Why They Lost Iraq**  
Jonathan Steele, Guardian

*The Lectures are free and open to all. Tea and biscuits are available from 5pm.*

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### Wednesday 6 February

4:00 pm | **Circumcision and Circumstance: male genital 'mutilation' in ancient Ugarit and Israel** (Lecture) Nicolas Wyatt, University of Edinburgh. Organised by: Institute of Jewish Studies, UCL and co-sponsored by The Royal Anthropological Institute. Part of the Mary Douglas Seminars on Anthropology and the Bible. Convened by Florentina Badalanova Geller. Tickets Admission free. Venue details Room 218, Foster Court, UCL, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT. Information T 020 7679 3520 F 020 7209 1026 E uclhvtn@ucl.ac.uk W www.ucl.ac.uk/hebrew-jewish/ijjs/

6:00 pm | **Palestine in Perspective: 60 years** (Lecture) Organised by: Centre for Lebanese Studies, Council for the Advancement of Arab-British Understanding (CAABU) and Stacey International. Celebrating the publication of 'Palestine, Political Reflections 1945-54', the writings of the prominent Lebanese politician and journalist, Michel Chiha, a panel of prominent contemporary commentators will be gathering to consider how far we have come in the intervening 60 years. Chaired by Eugene Rogan, Director of the Middle East Centre at St Antony's College, Oxford, the panel will consist of: Michel Edde, politician and former Chairman of the Maronite League; Chris Doyle, Director of CAABU, London; Samir Khalaf, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Centre for Behavioural Research at the American University of Beirut; Yossi Mekelberg, Associate Fellow of the Middle East Programme at the

Royal Institute of International Affairs and a lecturer in International Relations and Politics at Webster University's London campus. The panel discussion will be followed by a brief questions and answer session and a drinks reception. Tickets Admission free. Venue details Foreign Press Association, 11 Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1Y 5AJ. Information T 020 7221 7166 E marketing@stacey-international W www.stacey-international.co.uk

6:15 pm | **Half Moon** (Film) Please see listing for Friday 1 February.

6:30 pm | **TBC** (Talk) Ali Dizaei, Borough Commander Organised by: London Metropolitan University. Dr Ali Dizaei is one of Britain's most senior Police Officers. An Iranian-born Muslim with dual nationality who has frequently spoken out in the media on a variety of issues, mainly concerned with ethnicity and religion. Dizaei was promoted to Chief Superintendent in May 2004 and became Borough Commander of Hounslow. He is now Borough Commander of Hammersmith and Fulham. In March 2007, Dizaei published 'Not One of Us', an account of his police career to date. Not unaccustomed to controversy, two famous recent quotes of Ali Dizaei include "It can no longer be denied that young black men get a raw deal under the criminal justice system" and "Allegations of corruption in the Lawrence case must be investigated - but this time thoroughly." He will be interviewed by Professor Simon Hallsworth, from London Metropolitan University's Department of Applied Social Sciences, about his life, his views on criminality, race relations, policing and London's social issues, in front of an invited