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**Jon Greenwald** is a veteran foreign service officer and former director of the U.S. Department of State's Office of Counter-Terrorism. During a distinguished diplomatic career Greenwald held embassy and consular posts throughout Europe. From 1991-93, in the Office of Counter-Terrorism, he devised diplomatic strategies for dealing with Libya, and led a mission during the Gulf War. Most recently, Greenwald served in Brussels, where he helped negotiate the New Transatlantic Agenda on U.S.-European Union ties that President Clinton signed in 1995, defining U.S. political and trade engagements in Europe. At the International Crisis Group (ICG), he supervises the ICG research and reporting cycle, working with program and project directors around the world to develop and maintain a steady stream of targeted reports and briefing papers on the full range of crises and subjects that the International Crisis Group covers. He maintains senior-level contacts with Washington-based officials and diplomats, frequently speaks to student groups and participates in conferences and seminars in the U.S. and Europe. He also undertakes advocacy trips worldwide, most recently to Iran. He is a graduate of Princeton University and the Harvard Law School, and has written extensively on foreign policy issues.

**Nicholas Kittrie, Ph.D.**, is an international lawyer and a distinguished academic. Currently University Professor at the American University, Washington College of Law. Has served as counsel to the United States Senate Judiciary Committee, and is an expert in American and international public and criminal law. Past president of the American Society of Criminology, former dean of the Washington College of Law, and chair of the United Nations Alliance of NGOs on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, he is the author and editor of over fifteen books and numerous articles. He frequently appears in mass media to deal with topics such as political offenders, terrorist activities, war crimes, drugs and alcohol, extradition, penology and criminal sentencing. Educated at the London School of Economics (U.K.), the University of Cairo (Egypt) and the Universities of Kansas, Chicago and Georgetown (USA), he is fluent in several languages. He has traveled extensively and has lectured at universities and congresses in Europe, Asia and Africa. He has served as legal consultant to several foreign governments and to the United States Vice-President's Commission on Terrorism. Among Kittrie's books (as author or editor) are *Rebels With A Cause: The Minds and Morality of Political Offenders*; *The Tree of Liberty: A Documentary History of Rebellion and Political Crime in America*; *The War Against Authority: From the Crisis of Legitimacy to a New Social Order*; *The Right to Be Different: Deviance and Enforced Therapy*; *Crimes and Punishments: International Criminal Law and Procedure*; *The Future of Peace in the Twenty-First Century*, and *The Laws of War and the Laws of Peace*; *The Mentally Disabled and the Law*.

**Kelly Ryan** is Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration. She joined the State Department in April 2002 as a Deputy Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM). She directs the bureau's refugee admissions and population and international migration offices. PRM plays a major role in US foreign assistance supplying approximately one billion dollars FY06 to international organizations and NGOs to protect refugees, certain internally displaced persons, and other vulnerable persons, including victims of conflict and trafficking. She is responsible for developing U.S. government policies on refugee admissions, migration, and population issues. She played a leading role on the US team negotiating the UN Convention on The Rights of Persons with Disabilities in 2005 and 2006. She was the lead negotiator in a bilateral treaty with the Government of Canada on a "safe third country" agreement relating to allocation of asylum claims and testified on the agreement before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee of the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims. She has also concluded



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agreements with the governments of the Philippines, Vietnam, and Thailand. She has represented the US in numerous international meetings and events, including various sessions of the UN Economic and Social Council; the UN Commission on Population; the UN Population Fund; the High Level Dialogue on Migration. She leads the U.S. delegations to the Hemispheric Conference on Migration and Trafficking (Santiago, Chile 2002). She serves as the US Vice-Minister at the Regional Conference on Migration (Antigua, Guatemala 2002 and Cancun, Mexico 2003, Panama City, Panama 2004, Vancouver, Canada 2005, and San Salvador, El Salvador 2006). She chaired RGCM sessions in New Orleans when the US served as Host and President Pro Tempore of the RCM. She has led US delegations to the Inter-Governmental Consultations on Asylum, Refugee, and Migration Policies in Europe, North America, and Australia (Oxford, United Kingdom 2002 and Antwerp, Belgium 2003, Svalbord, Norway 2004, Whistler, Canada, 2005, and Amsterdam, Netherlands 2006, Dublin, Ireland 2007). Prior to joining the Department of State, Ms. Ryan practiced law for ten years. Most recently from 1998-2002, she served as the Chief of the Refugee and Asylum Division of the INS Office of the General Counsel. There, she directed the division responsible for advising the agency and the Department of Justice on issues involving immigration law and international protection under the U.S. legal system. She has been the DOJ representative on the U.S. delegation to sessions of the Executive Committee of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva, Switzerland and to sessions of the "Trans-Atlantic Dialogue" on migration issues among the U.S., Canada, and the European Union. She also served as the first legal advisor to the INS In-Country Refugee Processing Program in Port au Prince Haiti and worked in a similar capacity during the shipboard processing of Haitian migrants aboard the U.S.N.S. Comfort. She drafted the major federal rule that reformed the US asylum system and was the lead advisor to the agency on the expedited removal provisions, the most controversial and far-reaching asylum-related change in the last major immigration legislation in 1996. She successfully defended the agency in district court challenges to those provisions. She supervised the development of the formal process for considering claims under the Torture Convention and for the development of the visa rule for persons who have been victims of trafficking. She has led the development of advice on legal issues of first impression including national standards for the treatment of gender claims and clan membership. Her awards include: 2002-2006 Department of State Performance Awards; 2000 and 1998 Commissioner's Meritorious Service Awards, the second highest agency award; the 1999 Commissioner's Challenge Award; 1997 INS Office of International Affairs Special Achievement Award for Special Acts; and 1997 INS General Counsel Superior Accomplishment Award. She received a B.A. cum laude in History and English, Tulane University, a J.D, Georgetown University, and an LL.M with honours, Queens' College at Cambridge University.

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