

CLASH OF CIVILIZATIONS: MYTH OR REALITY

Speakers: General Mirza Aslam Beg and Enver Masud
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General Mirza Aslam Beg, former Chief of Army Staff, Pakistan, and Mr. Enver Masud, founder and CEO of The Wisdom Fund, Arlington, VA will address the issue in light of 9-11, the U.S. wars on Afghanistan and Iraq, and the apparent failure to find Iraq's weapons of mass destruction — the principal justification for the war on Iraq. The one-hour presentation will be followed by a one-hour question and answer session.

Thursday, July 24, 2003 • 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
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Friday, July 25, 2003 • 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm
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General Mirza Aslam Beg served the government of Pakistan as Chief of the Army Staff from 1988-1991. Following his retirement from the Army, General Beg established the Foundation for Research on International Environment, National Development & Security (FRIENDS) as an independent, apolitical, non-governmental, nonprofit research organization.

Gen Beg's main areas of interest are related to development and security at national, regional and global levels. His articles have been published in national and international journals.



Enver Masud is founder and CEO of The Wisdom Fund. His commentary on major events affecting the Muslim world has been published in the United States and other countries. His 600 word introduction to Islam has been displayed in the Washington Metrorail system. In 2002, he received a Gold Award from the Human Rights Foundation for his book *The War on Islam*.

Mr. Masud has worked as an engineering management consultant for the World Bank, EBRD and USAID in Albania, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Indonesia, Latvia, Pakistan, Russia, Tanzania. He was at the forefront of innovation in the electric power industry, and managed the U.S. Department of Energy's National Power Grid Study.



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