Pakistan
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Following armed hostilities in 1947-1949 between India and Pakistan, the region once known as the Princely State of Jammu and Kashmir was divided. The disputed territory continues to split relations between Pakistan and India and the threat of war has been a daunting force as recently as 2002.

The events of September 11 and the ensuing War on Terror have refocused international attention on India and Pakistan’s dispute over Kashmir. Under immense international pressure, the two nations have reevaluated their policies concerning Kashmir in an attempt to rectify the situation. Neither want to be viewed as a provocateur, but both countries have nuclear capabilities and have come close to using them against each other on more than one occasion.

Above all, the international community worries that their nuclear weapons are vulnerable to terrorist groups in the region. There is also considerable anxiety concerning terrorist cells linked to Al Qaeda and other extremist groups that the on-going Kashmir conflict has attracted from Pakistan and elsewhere due to instability. Related to security issues are the egregious human rights abuses committed on all sides of the controversy.

This is an interesting and complex time for both India and Pakistan. There have been notable changes to their policies in reaction to the War on Terrorism. Pakistan has become a strong ally of the United States in an effort to stifle the terrorist entities in the region. Both Pakistan and India have an opportunity to reshape regional problems and emerge as international leaders, but they must remedy the human rights violations that have become commonplace.

Terrorism in the Region


ABSTRACT: Discusses the question of whether terrorism can be justified. Mention of the use of terrorism in the Arab-Israeli conflict and in the war between Pakistan and India over the Kashmir territory; Suicide bombings; Role of violence in political persuasion; Issue of civilian casualties and human rights.


The article looks at the nature of the issues involved in the confrontation between India and Pakistan and explores possibilities for resolving them. It is sympathetic to India and claims that Pakistan pursues contradictory policies in that it has aligned itself with the U.S. -led War on Terrorism, yet fosters cross-border terrorism in Kashmir.


ABSTRACT: Comments on nuclear tests conducted by India and Pakistan, and the development of nuclear weapons in those countries. Claim that the weapons act as a deterrent against conventional armed conflict; View
that the countries do not possess sophisticated nuclear control systems or share details of their nuclear capacity; Attempts by al-Qaeda terrorists to obtain nuclear weapons.


ABSTRACT: Analyzes the trends of transnational terrorism in Southern Asia. Challenges of terrorism; Impact of the anti-terrorism campaign on the security of India and Pakistan; Implications of the war on terrorism for the region.


Discusses how the conflict in Kashmir has attracted extremist groups from Pakistan and Al Qaeda. The article argues that bringing an end to the India-Pakistan Kashmir conflict will deter further growth of terrorist networks in Kashmir. The author feels that the resolution of the Kashmir conflict is part of the broader War on Terrorism.


ABSTRACT: Focuses on the war against international terrorism in India. Sponsorship of cross-border terrorism by Pakistan; Focus of the policies on relations with nations; Alleged violation of human rights by Pakistan.


ABSTRACT: Discusses the shift of Islamist fundamentalism from the Arab world to the Asiatic world as of January 2004. Significance of Kashmir to jihadists; Observation on the alliance between the U.S. and Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf in the war on terrorism; Views on the arrest of Khalid Shaikh Mohammed in March 2003 before the United Nations vote on going to war in Iraq.


This is an interview with George Perkovich of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace which provides an informed perspective of regional stability in the Indian subcontinent. Perkovich emphasizes that stability can only be ensured with the reconciliation of the situation in Kashmir.


This article asserts that terrorism seeks legitimacy from religion. Shaukat emphasizes that many people entering Pakistan’s seminaries are from underprivileged backgrounds and believes that better education and the elimination of poverty will curb the emergence of terrorist activities.

Raghavan asserts that India’s terrorist problem stems from deep tensions between the Hindu majority and the Muslim minority. These tensions are magnified by the government and police force’s overt partisanship.


This essay outlines the history of hostilities between India and Pakistan concerning Kashmir. It explains how Kashmir’s territory is divided and controlled and discusses the right of self-determination for people living in the region.


Discusses the status of Pakistan as a nuclear power in light of September 11. Pakistan has come under international scrutiny because their nuclear weapons are believed to be vulnerable to Muslim terrorist groups.


ABSTRACT: Analyzes the origin of the culture of militant violence in the Jammu Kashmir region in India. Involvement of Pakistan in terrorist activities by Muslims in Kashmir; Wars fought between Pakistan and India; Impact of the Islamization of Pakistan’s government and military; Involvement of Pakistan in Afghanistan’s conflicts.


This article examines the series of threats made by India in response to Pakistan’s unconventional warfare in Jammu and Kashmir. It argues that India’s strategy has not effectively deterred Pakistan’s activities and claims that an alternate plan must be implemented by India.


The author discusses the terrorist threat in Kashmir, naming specific groups operating in Kashmir and their connection to Pakistan. The author makes recommendations to the Indian government concerning ways to win the loyalty of Kashmir.

Kashmir


This article covers the 2003 international peace conference on Kashmir held by the Association of Human Rights Lawyers and the Kashmir American Council. It discusses the current
significance of Kashmir due to India and Pakistan’s nuclear capabilities and the egregious human rights violations that continue to take place in Kashmir.


ABSTRACT: Argues that the situation in Kashmir marked by extreme human rights violations is a consequence of the state terrorism practiced by the Indian army against Kashmiris in combating an insurgency that is abetted by Pakistan and other Islamic nations in the name of jihad. Clash between the colonial attitude of the Indian army and the anti-modern practices of the fundamentalist militant groups.


ABSTRACT: Reports the call for U.S. aid to the settlement of the conflict between India and Pakistan over the Kashmir Valley. Impact of the brutal direct rule of India over the Kashmiri people; Consequences of the conflict to U.S. interest; U.S. priority on the respect for human rights and rights to self-determination in Kashmir.


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The article attempts to articulate the Indian strategy for the settlement of the Jammu and Kashmir situation with Pakistan. The author notes that September 11 has shifted international attention towards Kashmir, putting pressure on India to find a solution and emerge a clear leader.


This article compares the situations in Kashmir and Tibet and claims that there are many commonalities. The author focuses on possible political solutions for the two conflicts that will address collective rights, national identity, and state sovereignty.


ABSTRACT: Presents discussions on the political disputes in Kashmir, India. Impact U.S. war against terrorism on national policies; Information on Kashmiri uprisings; Foreign relations with Pakistan.
Policy Changes in India


ABSTRACT: Traces the process of change in Indian strategic thinking and behavior from its genesis in the Kargil conflict in 1999 to a military confrontation in 2001 to 2002. Role of politics and force in the context of relations between India and Pakistan; Details of the Kargil conflict; Implications of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on India’s military strategies.


This essay explores India’s growing interest and presence in Central Asia and its relation to the rise of Indian power in general. According to Blank, India’s changing strategy is due to the international affects of September 11, terrorism in Kashmir, and the war in Afghanistan.


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ABSTRACT: Focuses on the relationship of the U.S. with India and Pakistan. Partnership in military forces; Impact of the September 11 terrorist attack on the relationship of U.S. with the two countries; Contribution of India and Pakistan on the fight of U.S. against terrorism.


ABSTRACT: Discusses how U.S.-Pakistan ties weigh on U.S.-Indian relationship. Perceptions over Pakistani support to terrorists; Attempt of the U.S. to impress on the Indian leadership that Pakistan is its coalition partner; Involvement of Pakistan with the Iranian nuclear program.


ABSTRACT: Explores the changes experienced by India and Pakistan since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Ways in which the two countries will be the lynchpins of security in the Asia Pacific region; Reliance of the success of the security order in Southeast Asia on India and Pakistan’s cooperation; Need for the two countries to balance their domestic challenges and the demands of the international community.


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the problem that terrorism poses. At the same time, the interconnections between Afghanistan, Pakistan and India require the integration of responses so that they add up to an appropriate package of measures.


ABSTRACT: Reports that the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in the United States changed South Asia’s security calculus in unexpected ways. India’s surprise that the U.S. did not isolate Pakistan; Change in India’s strategy from defensive to proactive responses to terrorism; Possibility of using air strikes to take out terrorist bases in Pakistani territory.

Human Rights in Pakistan


ABSTRACT: Reports on the concern of Pakistani health officials that the mass movement of Afghans in the region after terrorist attacks on the United States could pose a serious threat to the global polio eradication initiative. Background on agencies’ efforts to vaccinate incoming Afghan children; Appeal for funds by UNICEF and United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan to immunize Afghan children.


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Addresses the Pakistan Medical Association’s opposition to the U.S. -led attacks in Afghanistan. The PMA claims that the Northern Alliance is comprised of factions who were involved in human rights abuses during the Afghan civil war.


ABSTRACT: Reports that hundreds of Afghan academics in exile in Pakistan are in danger of attacks from hard-line Islamic forces in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Statement issued by the Pakistani Human Rights Commission’s chairman, Afrasiab Khattak; Deportation of a university professor, Mohammad Enam Wak.

The article addresses various attacks on religious minorities in the middle east. It explores the human rights issues that these minorities experience living among Muslim majorities, including mass murders that have occurred without interjection from authorities.


Pakistan, Al Qaeda, and the Taliban


ABSTRACT: Despite Pakistan’s extensive contribution to the global war on terrorism, many questions persist about the extent to which Al Qaeda and its associated outfits are currently operating within Pakistan. This article examines this issue by posing several empirical questions: (1) What are the general contours of militancy in Pakistan? (2) What motivates individuals to join specific Pakistan-based militant outfits? (3) By what means do groups recruit specific individuals? (4) What do these findings suggest for Al Qaeda operations in Pakistan? (5) What linkages exist between Pakistan-based organizations to Al Qaeda? These issues are addressed through regional fieldwork, extensive literature reviews, and consultation with numerous highly regarded analysts to South Asia. This article concludes that Al Qaeda likely does not have an explicit and dedicated recruiting infrastructure to recruit Pakistanis for its operations. Rather, Al Qaeda relies upon a web of informal relations with groups based in Pakistan to gain access to operational collaborators and individuals to execute attacks within Pakistan.


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This essay addresses the secret powers conferred by the National Security Act of 1947 which has been used to train, arms, and develop the terrorist enemies, such as Al Qaeda. The author claims that in Pakistan and Afghanistan, CIA programs have had tremendous political consequences which have culminated in various attacks against the U.S., including September 11.

ABSTRACT: Examines the alleged terrorist activities of the Taliban and its supporters. Recruitment of foreign supporters; Logistics and technical assistance from Pakistan and several terrorist organizations; Relationship of Saudi dissident Osama bin Laden and his Al Qaeda organization with the Taliban.


ABSTRACT: Reports on the presence of religious militants in Pakistan in 2000. Influence of the jihad, and how the terrorism is not as well known in the West as that of the Middle East; Thoughts on the war in Kashmir between the Indian army and the Pakistani mujahideen; Impact of these religious militants on the political conditions in Pakistan.


Discusses how Al Qaeda continues to thrive as an organization despite U.S. attacks on its main cell in Afghanistan. Addresses Al Qaeda’s recruiting and survival methods.

**Policy Changes in Pakistan**


ABSTRACT: Examines the impact of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the policy of the United States in Southwest Asia. Development of a military partnership between Pakistan and the U.S.; Need to assess the implications of the policy for Pakistan and Afghanistan; Background of the relationship between the U.S. and the region.


ABSTRACT: Focuses on the implication of the war on terrorism by the U.S. for Pakistani-Afghan relations. Installation of an interim Afghan government under the moderate Pashtun leader; Pledge of Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf to break Pakistan-based terrorist groups; Principal economic beneficiaries of fragmentation and civil war.


ABSTRACT: Interviews Benazir Bhutto, former prime minister of Pakistan and head of Pakistan’s opposition party Pakistan People’s Party, on Islamabad and the Taliban. Views on Pakistani regime as an ally in the war against terror; Limits of Pakistan’s support of an attack on Osama Bin Laden; Way on how to stop the kind of terror committed against the U.S.


ABSTRACT: Focuses on the dilemma on the side of the forces aligned against international terror faced by Pakistan. Impact of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the lives of the people; Fears on the failure of the policy of strategic depth in Kabul; Concerns on the breaking of the linkages between military and religious groups.

ABSTRACT: Focuses on the attempt of the United States to form an ally with Pakistan president Pervez Musharraf. Need to develop an alliance into a long-term relationship; Involvement of the Western nations in the affairs of Afghanistan; Need for the support of Muslim states in the war on terrorism.


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ABSTRACT: Interviews former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto. Effects of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in the U.S. on Pakistan; Information on the plan of the Pakistani generals behind Kashmiri militants to provoke war; Background on the tension between India and Pakistan; Views on a democratically elected civilian government.


ABSTRACT: Presents comments of Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf on the war between the U.S. and Iraq in 2003. Measures that may be taken by the U.S. to reduce the visibility of its forces in Iraq to win the war against terrorism; Approach needed by the U.S. to remove the root causes of terrorism; Outlook of the Islamic world on the war against terrorism.


ABSTRACT: Analyzes the military relationship between Pakistan and the U.S. Mutual commitment to combat terrorism in South Asia; Evidence of Pakistan’s war against terrorism; Concerns about Pakistan’s nuclear program.


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Discusses U.S. interest in keeping President Musharraf in power in Pakistan as opposed to Taliban-linked armed groups within Pakistan who want control. Islamists have exerted a political and ideological influence in Pakistan that threatens the security of the region.


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ABSTRACT: Discusses United States allies’ government policies on terrorism and terrorists. Support of the U.S. for Egyptian methods, which feature summary executions and torture of suspects; Ineffectiveness of the Pakistani justice system; Methods used by the Citizens-Police Liaison Committee (CPLC) in Pakistan; Failure of the U.S. to promote democracy in places where it would impede its political aims, such as in many allied nations.


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ABSTRACT: Focuses on the political conditions in Pakistan as of 2001. Establishment of a bipartisan relationship; Details on the massive human losses in the terrorist attacks of September 11; Details on the policy of virtual alignment with the U.S.


ABSTRACT: Probes into the issue of whether the U.S. interfered with or politicized the approval of the final disbursement of Pakistan’s loan from the International Monetary Fund. Functions of the economic instruments of statecraft of the U.S.; Contribution of Pakistan to the war on terrorism; Rewards offered by the U.S. to the Pakistani regime if they joined the war on terrorism campaign.


ABSTRACT: Focuses on the impact of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the democracy in Pakistan. Recurrence of political turmoil; Decline of military and economic assistance; Occurrence of financial losses.

This article discusses Pakistan’s transition to democracy in 2002, its tense relations with India, and the affects of terrorism within Pakistan’s borders aimed at Western targets and the Musharraf government.


ABSTRACT: Examines Pakistan’s compliance with U.S. strategic doctrine and policy, particularly as it relates to the war on terrorism. Advantage and disadvantage of Pakistan cutting its diplomatic ties with Kabul following the U.S.-led bombing campaign against Afghanistan; Key interests of Pakistan in return for its collaboration with the global coalition; Dilemma facing the U.S. in terms of the dispute between India and Pakistan over the issue of Kashmir.


This paper focuses on Pakistan’s Kashmir policy during the 1990’s and the different approaches favored by different groups within Pakistan. The essay argues that Pakistan has made efforts to resolve the Kashmir dilemma but has many constraining factors, therefore India needs to work within the framework of Pakistan’s limitations.