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The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations is pleased to provide the twelfth edition of the *Council Chronicle*, the Council's newsletter. The *Chronicle* seeks to keep the Council's alumni, donors, and other supporters informed and updated. One among other efforts to do so on an ongoing basis is achieved by presenting highlights and special reports related to the Council's year-round educational programs, events, and activities. For new readers interested in learning more about the Council's vision and mission, together with the ways and means it utilizes to pursue both, please visit the Council's Web site at **ncusar.org**.

#### **About the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations**

Founded in 1983, the National Council is an American educational, non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated to improving American knowledge and understanding of the Arab world. It endeavors to do this through leadership development, people-to-people programs, academic seminars, an annual Arab-U.S. policymakers' conference, specialized publications, and the participation of American students and faculty in Arab world study abroad and Arabic language learning experiences as well as intensive year-round and summer university student internships combined with an academic seminar in the nation's capital.

The Council's *vision* for the U.S.-Arab relationship is one that rests on a solid, enduring foundation of strategic, economic, political, commercial, and defense cooperation, strengthened continuously by exchanges of present and emerging leaders among Americans and Arabs alike.

The Council's *mission* is educational. It seeks to enhance American awareness and appreciation of the multi-faceted and innumerable benefits the United States has long derived and continues to obtain from its relations with the Arab world.

In pursuit of its mission, the Council serves as a U.S.-Arab relations programmatic, informational, and human resources clearinghouse. In so doing, it provides cutting edge information and insight to national, state, and local grassroots organizations, media, and public policy research institutes, in addition to select community civic, religious, business, and professional associations.

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*Note:* The extraordinary increase in the nature and number of the National Council's activities in the past half year has necessitated dividing this issue of the *Council Chronicle* into two parts (Part I and Part II). Programs and activities not covered in this issue will be included in Part II, which is scheduled to appear in the next two weeks.

## **National Council Recognized For Exceptional Accountability and Fiscal Management**

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations has again been awarded a Four Star Rating by Charity Navigator, America's premier independent charity evaluator. Charity Navigator helps charitable givers make intelligent giving decisions by providing in-depth, objective ratings and analysis of the financial health of America's largest charities. In earning Charity Navigator's highest four star rating, the Council was deemed to have demonstrated exceptional financial health, outperforming most of its peers in the management and growth of its finances in the most fiscally responsible manner possible.



The National Council has also recently joined the **BBB Wise Giving Alliance**, demonstrating that the Council meets all 20 of the BBB's Standards for Charity Accountability. The BBB's organizational evaluation involves rigorous scrutiny of governance, effectiveness, finances and solicitations, and informational materials.

Organizations that comply with these accountability standards have provided documentation that they meet basic standards in how they govern their organization; in the ways they spend their money; in the truthfulness of their representations; and in their willingness to disclose basic information to the public. The overarching principle of the BBB Wise Giving Alliance Standards for Charity Accountability is full disclosure to donors and



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potential donors at the time of solicitation and thereafter. Indeed, the standards recommend ethical practices beyond the act of disclosure in order to ensure public confidence and encourage giving. As voluntary standards, they also go beyond the requirements of local, state and federal laws and regulations.

SAVE THE DATE -- October 27 & 28, 2011

## 20th Annual Arab-U.S. Policymakers Conference

Dynamics of Recent Events in the Arab World: Framing the Arab and U.S. Responses

The National Council's 20th Annual Arab-U.S. Policymakers Conference has been set for October 27-28, 2011. For the sixth consecutive year, the Conference will be held at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC. As with each Policymakers Conference since the first in 1991, the agenda and program will be facilitated and moderated by Council Founding President and CEO, Dr. John Duke Anthony, together with the chairman of the Council's board of directors, Dr. Joseph P. Moynihan. For conference sponsorship information, please contact National Council Executive Vice President and Director of Development, Pat Mancino, at (202) 293-6466 or pat@ncusar.org.











# The National Council Organizes and Escorts a Delegation of United States Naval Academy Midshipmen on a Study Visit to the UAE

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, in coordination with the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR), organized and led a December 27 to January 6, 2010-11 study visit to the United Arab Emirates for the United States Naval



Academy (USNA) in Annapolis, Maryland. The Academy's delegation was comprised of twelve Midshipmen and two faculty. The visit provided the Midshipmen an opportunity to explore the dynamics of some of the major economic, political, and social determinants of UAE culture as well as the country's modernization and development.



The National Council's delegation from the U.S. Naval Academy visits the Sheikh Zayed Mosque in Abu Dhabi.

Escorted by National Council President and CEO Dr. John Duke Anthony, Executive Vice President Mr. Patrick Mancino, and Projects Coordinator Ms. Chelsey Boggs, the participants visited the Emirates of Abu Dhabi and Dubai. Delegation members met with and were briefed by officials at the UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the UAE Coast Guard, UAE Naval Headquarters, the US Embassy, and the Sheikh Zayed Mosque. They also participated in four academic workshops at ECSSR, met with officials from the UAE Ministry of Presidential Affairs' Center for Documentation and Research, and were briefed by US Ambassador to the UAE Richard Olson and embassy staff. In addition, the Midshipmen were introduced to a maritime variant

of UAE traditional culture while navigating the vibrant waterfront commerce of the Emirate of Dubai on a *dhow*, a traditional Arab wooden sailing vessel, and exploring the pre-oil era traditions of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi in its heritage village exhibitions, together with the ECSSR seminar, publications, and other educational activities.



National Council President and CEO, Dr. John Duke Anthony (at podium) with the Midshipmen, delivers a lecture on "The Founding of the UAE: An Experiment in Arab Political Engineering" at the ECSSR.



The National Council's U.S. Naval Academy delegation visits the UAE Ministry of Presidential Affairs' National Center for Documentation and Research in Abu Dhabi, one of the foremost centers of its kind in the Arab and Islamic worlds.

## **National Council Public Affairs Briefings**

## What You Need to Know Now: The Arabian Dimension in Today's Mideast Turmoil March 2, 2011

On March 2, 2011, the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations organized a special program on "What You Need to Know Now: The Arabian Dimension in Today's Mideast Turmoil" at the Washington, DC offices of Miller & Chevalier. Dr. **John Duke Anthony**, Founding President and CEO of the National Council, served as Moderator. The participating specialists were Dr. Herman Franssen, President of International Energy Associates and Senior Associate for the Energy and National Security Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies; Dr. David E. Long, Consultant on Middle East affairs and international terrorism and author of, among numerous other works, The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Mr. Robert Lacey, Historian and author of The Kingdom and Inside the Kingdom; and Mr. Peter A. Iseman, Historian and International Educator.

The specialists focused their remarks on the Arabian Peninsula and its place amid wider turmoil across the Arab world. They addressed energy issues, internal structures and systems of governance, societal attitudes and aspirations, and regional geopolitics. Through their extended remarks and in the course of a question-and-answer session, the specialists detailed a range of the challenges that the region faces and possible paths forward.

A video of the seminar is available on the National Council's Web site: <u>ncusar.org</u>.



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Dr. Herman Franssen - President of International Energy Associates and Senior Associate for the Energy and National Security Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

## National Council Organizes and Hosts a Seminar with a Delegation Representing the Majlis Ash-Shura (Consultative Council) of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

April 8, 2011

The National Council hosted a conversation with a delegation from the Majlis Ash-Shura (Consultative Council) of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on April 8, 2011 in Washington, DC. The delegation's six men and two women included H.E. Osama Bin Mohammed Al-Kurdi, H.E. Dr. Abdallah Bin Yahya Bukhari, H.E. Khalifa Bin Ahmed Rashid Al-Dosari, H.E. Mohammed Bin Abdallah Al-Quaihis, H.E. Dr. Saud H. R. Al-Subaie, H.E. Dr. Mazen Bin Foad Bin Mahmood AlKhayyat, H.E. Dr. Mai bint Abdulaziz bin Ibrahim AlEssa (Advisor), and H.E. Dr. Mahasen Hasan Abu-Mansour Flamban (Advisor). The Majlis Ash-Shura was established in 1992. Initially comprised of 60 members, its ranks have grown several times to the current total of 150 representatives. The Council's committees advise the King on numerous and diverse issues, including foreign relations, trade, investment, economic development, education, health care, environment, family and child development.

## National Council Luncheon in Honor of Ambassador Joseph LeBaron, United States Ambassador to the State of Qatar April 15, 2011

On April 15, 2011, the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations hosted a luncheon at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, DC to honor **Dr. Joseph LeBaron**, **United States Ambassador to the State of Qatar**. The program was sponsored by Chevron, Boeing, Qatar Airways, and the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center. National Council Executive Vice President Mr. Pat Mancino and Council Vice President Ms. Amy K. Greenlee moderated the program. Ambassador LeBaron spoke about the status of U.S.-Qatar relations, including the areas of policy, the impact of social media, the economy, and trade.



Ambassador Joseph LeBaron.



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(L to R) Amy K. Greenlee, Vice President of the National Council; Joseph LeBaron, U.S. Ambassador to Qatar; and Pat Mancino, National Council Executive Vice President and Director of Development.

## National Council's Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies Program Annual Cultural Immersion Visit to Oman

In March, a delegation of U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) officers, Malone Fellows, and area studies specialists participated in the National Council's 15th Annual Cultural Immersion Program in Oman. The delegation was led by Council President Dr. Anthony and Executive Vice President Mr. Mancino. Since its inception in 1996, this particular Council program has been and remains one of a kind. Many of the Council's programs in other Arab countries examine policymaking issues and topics related to economic and social development. The Council's programs in Oman for the past 15 years, however, are different. They are designed to provide hard to come by information and insight into not just these kinds of issues but also, and especially, cultural and anthropological themes. Indeed, the program unfolds primarily in *half a dozen different regions outside the Sultanate's capital of Muscat.* It does so in order to allow delegation members to experience the dynamics of what is not only one of the Arab world's most demographically, geographically, economically, and socially diverse countries. It does so also because of Oman's position adjacent to the Hormuz Strait, arguably the most strategically vital waterway on earth, through which one fifth of the world's globally traded oil transits daily. The program provides context, background, and perspective related to a broad range of dynamics that influence Oman's national development processes as well as its domestic priorities and foreign policy objectives.

Before their departure for Oman, the Malone Fellows participated in a two-day orientation program that featured Dr. Anthony; Oman Malone Fellow Alumna Linda Pappas Funsch of Hood College in Frederick, Maryland; Mr. Patrick Fischer, Desk officer for Oman and Qatar, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, U.S. Department of State; Dr. Herman Franssen, President, International Energy Associates and former Senior Advisor, Ministry of Petroleum and Minerals, Sultanate of Oman; former U.S. Ambassador to Oman (1985-1989) George Cranwell Montgomery; Sultan Qaboos Cultural Center Executive Director and former U.S. Ambassador to Qatar (1998-2001) Elizabeth McKune; Embassy of the Sultanate of Oman Commercial Attaché Ms. Shireen Abdul-Qadir Yousif Said; and U.S. Department of Defense Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Office Director and National Council Malone Fellows Arab and Islamic Studies Program Alumnus Mr. David Des Roches.



U.S. Central Command officers and other participants in the National Council's Malone Fellows Program in Oman spent two days and a night sailing on a traditional Arab dhow alongside the Hormuz Strait, the world's most strategically vital waterway.



Oman's inland fortress and traditional walled settlement of Bahla, presently under restoration, has been designated by the United Nations as a World Heritage Site.

















The National Council's Malone Fellows delegation explored half a dozen regions of the Sultanate's interior outside the capital of Muscat. In doing so, they experienced firsthand the dynamics of one of the Arab world's most demographically, geographically, economically, and socially diverse countries.

Upon arrival in Oman, the delegation members participated in meetings and briefings by officials at the U.S. Embassy and Omani government ministries. They experienced a "sundowner" – a late afternoon and early evening sail on a *dhow*, a traditional wooden Arab sailing vessel, from Muscat eastwards around the country's Indian Ocean coastline. They also visited two of Oman's world class cultural and historical museums in Muttrah, the commercial center of the capital territory. In keeping with a much enjoyed tradition of previous National Council-organized and escorted study visits to Oman, the Fellows had afternoon tea with Americans Dr. Donald Bosch and Mrs. Eloise Bosch, legends in their own lifetime for having long served as one of the few Western doctors and elementary school teachers in the country prior to 1970. In addition, the Fellows spent time along the country's coasts, crisscrossing its numerous mountains and wadis, and camping out under a moonlit and star-strewn sky in a desert outpost deep in Oman's vast Sharqiyah Sands, where they were hosted by members of the prominent Al-Harthy tribe.

Further into the interior, the Fellows visited remote villages, hilltop hamlets, and little known farm sites tucked beneath groves of trees clinging to hillsides. They sailed for most of two days and a night aboard a dhow, on which they slept in the open under the stars and swam and snorkeled offshore famed Telegraph Island and other inlets that line Oman's Musandam Peninsula. They also anchored and went ashore in hard-to-reach coves in Oman's Norwegian-like fjords amongst cliffs that drop straight down into the sea in areas adjacent to and all the way around the internationally vital Strait of Hormuz. In so doing, the participants were able to observe the country's fisher folk, boat builders, weavers, potters, the faithful at prayer, some of Oman's multi-ethnic and religious rituals, and all ages of local councilmen and women, school children at study and at play.

In addition, in Jabrin, Khasab, Nizwa, and Qabil, the Fellows made their way on foot through the architectural mazes and defense mechanisms of some of the country's more than 400 centuries-old forts. Through mountains, deserts, wadis, and sea, the experience unfolded along the shores and inland reaches of the Indian Ocean, the Gulf of Oman, the Arabian Sea, and other storied places. All this transpired alongside an extraordinary Omani guide who personified Oman's long history of residence and interaction within Arabia and the Gulf as well as Central and East Africa.



A view of the centuries-old fort adjacent to the Grand Mosque in Nizwa, an historical center of scholarly learning and traditional education that has long been closely linked to Ibadhi Muslim communities in Algeria, Libya, East Africa, and elsewhere.



Chandelier in The Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque in Oman's Capital Territory that measures 14 meters tall.



The Fellows visited Jabrin Castle, built in the 17th Century when Oman's capital moved there from Nizwa.



A Malone Fellow swims in one of the many inlets adjacent to the Strait of Hormuz.



An exterior view of the Sultan Qaboos Grand Mosque in Oman's Capital Territory.



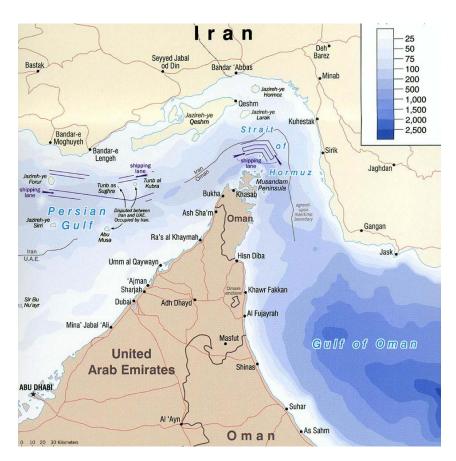
Malone Fellows explored the dunes of the Sharqiyyah Sands, an eastern extension of the Rub' Al-Khali (The Empty Quarter), the world's largest desert.



The waterfront of Muscat, capital of Oman and one of Arabia's most historically fabled ports.



A traditional Arab dhow, hewn from wood and crafted by hand in the manner of Omani shipwrights and mariners of yesteryear, sails near a cove adjacent to the Strait of Hormuz.



## STRAIT OF HORMUZ & OMAN'S MUSANDAM PENINSULA



The Malone Fellow delegation's Omani guide visiting Nizwa, historical capital of the former Imamate of Oman and located deep in the Sultanate's interior.



Schoolboys break from their studies at a school in Nizwa.



**OMAN** 

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## National Council President's Educational Services and Publications

National Council President **Dr. John Duke Anthony** continues to serve: (1) as an Adjunct Professor at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service's Center for Contemporary Arab Studies; (2) as an Adjunct Professor at the U.S. Department of Defense Institute of Security Assistance Management; and (3) as a member of the U.S. Department of State's International Economic Policy Advisory Committee as well as its Subcommittees on Sanctions and Trade and Investment.

## October 2010 - May 2011 publications and media appearances include:

- "10th Anniversary of the Attack on the USS *Cole* In Yemen: A Retrospective," available at <a href="https://www.ncusar.org">www.ncusar.org</a>.
- "Remembering Ron Pump (1942-2010)," available at www.ncusar.org.
- "The GCC Summit in Perspective: A Conversation with John Duke Anthony," an interview with *ArabiaLink*, available at <a href="https://www.ncusar.org">www.ncusar.org</a>.
- "20 Years Ago Today," a retrospective on the 20th anniversary of the reversal of Iraq's aggression against Kuwait from August 2, 1990 to February 28, 1991, available at <a href="https://www.ncusar.org">www.ncusar.org</a>.
- "Navigating the Regional Turmoil: Mileposts and Guidelines," available at <a href="https://www.ncusar.org">www.ncusar.org</a>.

## Principle Scholar Escort of American Leadership Delegations to Arab Countries:

- U.S. Central Command Malone Fellows in Arab and Islamic Studies delegation to Oman, March 2-15, 2011
- United States Naval Academy Midshipmen and Faculty delegation to the United Arab Emirates, December 27 -January 6, 2010-11

# Dr. Anthony also addressed or provided a briefing for the membership and supporters of the following organizations from October 2010 - May 2011:



Dr. John Duke Anthony (above) addressing a capacity crowd at the Baltimore Council on Foreign Affairs and (below) speaking at The Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research's 16th Annual Conference entitled "Global Strategic Developments: A Futuristic Outlook."



- Dayton World Affairs Council on "The Changing Nature of American Interests in the Arab World: Implications for U.S. Policies;" Wright State University on "U.S.-Arab Relations: Going Where?"; and Thurgood Marshall High School on "The Arab and Islamic Worlds: Why They Are Important to America," Dayton, Ohio, October 2010
- American Armed Forces Officers, Security Assistance Personnel, Defense Attaches, and US CENTCOM
  representatives on "The Arabian Peninsula in Regional and World Affairs" and "Iran in Its National and
  Regional Settings: Dynamics of Convergence and Divergence" at the U.S. Department of Defense's Defense
  Institute for Security Assistance Management, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, October 2010, and
  February, April, and May 2011

- The Near East and North Africa Program, and Advanced Arabian Peninsula Studies Seminar on "The United Arab Emirates" and "Oman," George Schultz National Foreign Affairs Training Center, U.S. Department of State, February and May 2011
- Annual North American Invitational National High School Model United Nations, February 2011
- The Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR) on "The Founding of the United Arab Emirates: Background, Context, Perspective," January 2011, and "Unipolarism and the Future of Superpower Politics" as well as "Likely Trends and Developments in The GCC Region in the Coming Ten to Twenty Years" at ECSSR's 16th Annual Conference on "Global Strategic Developments: A Futuristic Outlook," Abu Dhabi, UAE, March 2011
- Virginia Military Institute Center for Leadership and Excellence on "Political Change in Tunisia, Egypt and Beyond: Implications for American Interests and Policies" for the "(The Muslim) East Meets (The Christian) West Conference" (via video link from Abu Dhabi), Lexington, Virginia, March 2011
- Baltimore Council on Foreign Affairs on "Analyzing Transformational Change in the Arab World," April 2011
- National Council's National University and High School Model Arab Leagues at Georgetown University, April 2011
- The Brookings Institution's "Inside the Middle East" Seminar on "Saudi Arabia: Prospects for Change, Stability, or Stagnation?," April 2011
- The Iraq Survey Group on "Iraq and Its Arab Neighbors: Dynamics of Convergence and Divergence," Rand Corporation, Alexandria, Virginia
- The Institute for Defense Analyses on "Saudi Arabia's Strategic Defense Goals in Perspective," Washington, D.C., May 2011
- The University of Singapore Middle East Institute on "The Gulf Cooperation Council: Future Prospects" to the international conference on "Whither the GCC?" May, 2011
- The U.S. National Defense University Near East and South Asia Center for Strategic Studies, US CENTCOM, and US AFRICOM on "Dynamics and Implications of Regional Arab Political Transformations" to the Horn of Africa Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, May 2011

## Dr. Anthony's additional educational activities from November 2010 - May 2011 included:

- Represented the National Council as one of three private sector Americans invited by the government of Oman to attend the programs, activities, and events commemorating the Omani Renaissance, the Fortieth Anniversary of the Accession of HM Qaboos bin Said bin Taimur Al Bu Sa'id as Sultan of Oman
- Served as the sole American invited to observe the annual GCC Ministerial and Heads of State Summit, Abu Dhabi, UAE, December 2010
- Briefed the Political Councilor and other members of the United States Embassy on what transpired at the annual GCC Ministerial and Heads of State Summit, Abu Dhabi, UAE, December 2010
- Taught a course on "Politics of the Arabian Peninsula" at the Georgetown University Edmund Walsh Graduate School of Foreign Service's Center for Contemporary Arab Studies from January-May, 2011. The course included separate lectures on "Prisms for Perspectives on The Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf States;" "The Changing Nature of American Interests in Arabia and the Gulf: Implications for U.S. and Arab Policies;" "The Gulf Cooperation Council in Focus;" seven lectures on "Domestic and Foreign Relations Dynamics" of Saudi Arabia, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Yemen, Iran, and Iraq, with guest lectures on "The Energy Dynamics of the Arabian Peninsula," by former U.S. Department of Energy Senior International Affairs Adviser and National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations Randa Fahmy Hudome, and lectures on "Bahrain" and "Kuwait" by National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations Distinguished Diplomat in Residence John Moran and National Council Board Member and former Kuwait Petroleum Company Representative Ms. Elizabeth Wossen.

## National Council Welcomes New Member to Staff

## Ms. Amy K. Greenlee

Amy K. Greenlee joined the National Council in February as Vice President to develop programs and deepen the educational and cultural relationship with Qatar and the GCC. Ms. Greenlee brings to the tasks enumerated an array of skills, experience, and reputation as well as credibility which will add to the continued mission and vision of the Council. Ms. Greenlee was formerly the Director of the US-Qatar Business Council where she managed the operations of the organization, developed and implemented programs, performed outreach with corporations, and was instrumental in the launch of Qatar Foundation International, a vision of Her Highness Sheikha Mozah. Prior to her involvement with Qatar, Ms. Greenlee worked with a Presidential Appointee and Her Majesty Queen Noor of Jordan. Ms. Greenlee received her Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Physics from Indiana State University.



(L to R) Ms. Amy K. Greenlee and U.S. Ambassador to Qatar Joseph LeBaron.



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A Malone Fellow delegation visiting the Sultan Qaboos Mosque in Oman's Capital Territory.



(L to R) The National Council's Ms. Amy K. Greenlee and Mr. Pat Mancino with U.S. Ambassador to Qatar Dr. Joseph LeBaron at an April 15, 2011 luncheon honoring the Ambassador in Washington, DC.



The National Council's U.S. Naval Academy delegation of Midshipmen visit the United Arab Emirates Ministry of Presidential Affairs' National Center for Documentation and Research in Abu Dhabi.

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**Ms. Elizabeth Wossen:** also Principal, Energy Links Group, LLC; Senior Advisor, Global Business Forum; and former Coordinator, Congressional and Government Relations, Kuwait Petroleum Corporation, USA;

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