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7:30 p.m., Monday, March 30

THE THREAT OF TERRORISM: OMINOUS REALITY OR EXAGGERATED FALLACY?

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3:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 31

TOOLS OF TERRORISM: WHICH WEAPONS SHOULD YOU FEAR MOST?

PAUL LEVENTHAL

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AGENTS OF TERROR: WHO WILL BE THE NEXT TERRORISTS?

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Yonah Alexander is director of The Inter-University Center for Terrorism Studies at George Washington University and teaches at several of the university's graduate schools. In addition, he conducts research at Tel Aviv University on biological, chemical, and nuclear “super terrorism.” As one of the foremost international authorities on terrorism, Alexander has written over 50 books on the subject and lectured throughout the world.

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3:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 1

DIALOGUE WITH THE ENEMY: ARE THEIR CLAIMS LEGITIMATE?

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7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 1

COMBATING INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM: SHOULD WE FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE?

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7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 2

TERRORISM AND THE MEDIA: THE FIRST AMENDMENT GONE AWRY?

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Walter Pincus is an investigative reporter for The Washington Post. He has written, directed, and produced critically acclaimed documentaries on subjects such as Watergate and the assassination of John F. Kennedy. Pincus has written on news subjects ranging from nuclear weapons and arms control to American hostages in Iran and investigations of Congress and the executive branch. He has received several prestigious journalism awards.

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