

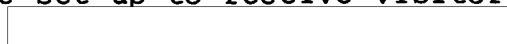
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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution  
FROM: Director of Global Issues  
SUBJECT: Conference on Demographic Pressures and Instability in Developing Countries

1. On behalf of the Office of Global Issues, I would like to invite you to attend a 2-day conference on the topic of Demographic Pressures and Instability in Developing Countries. The discussion is designed to be of value to intelligence analysts in their efforts to assess the significance of demographic trends, and to understand the linkages between these trends and social and political events.

2. The purpose of the conference is outlined more fully in the attached conference announcement and preliminary agenda. The conference will take place at the Department of State on July 7-8, 1987, in the Loy Henderson Auditorium. Access to the auditorium will be through the C Street entrance where a conference desk will be set up to receive visitors. If you plan to attend, please call  before June 23rd, so that your name can be added to the list of attendees.

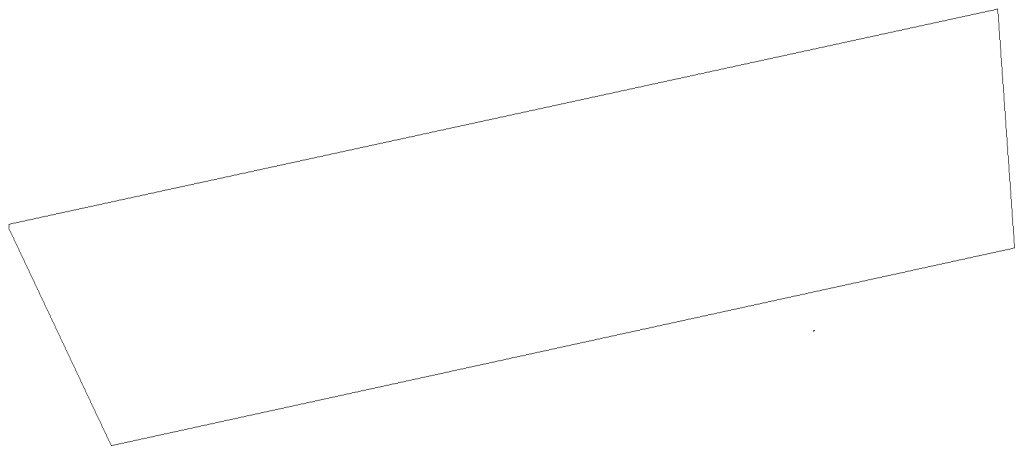
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The Office of Global Issues is sponsoring a conference on the subject of Demographic Pressures and Instability in Developing Countries on 7-8 July 1987. The conference will take place at the Department of State so that the audience can include many desk officers and working diplomats who must deal with the policy implications of current demographic realities.

The sessions will examine what scholars have to say about the relationship between demographic pressures and socio-political events, and under what conditions these pressures are likely to translate into political or economic instability. They will also offer country experts and analysts, both government and private, an opportunity to discuss demographic pressures in particular countries of primary concern to the United States, and to review what the governments of those countries are doing, or not doing, to cope with the demographic circumstances in which they currently find themselves.

Speakers will cover subjects such as "youth bulge," unemployment, rapid urbanization, elite competition, strains on state revenues and differential growth rates among ethnic groups within countries. Areas examined will include Brazil, Mexico and Central America, Nigeria, southern Africa, and selected countries in the Middle East, South Asia and East Asia. The conference will conclude with a panel of former senior foreign service officers and other officials discussing policy implications.

The goals of the conference are a better and more widespread understanding of the linkages between demographic pressures and instability, and a new appreciation of what demographically induced stress means for the policies of affected governments and the US.

We plan to make time available for questions and discussion, and welcome your participation. The conference is unclassified, by invitation only.

**PRELIMINARY**

**OFFICE OF GLOBAL ISSUES**

**Conference on  
Demographic Pressures and Political Instability  
In Developing Countries**

**TUESDAY, July 7, 1987**

**8:15** Arrival, coffee

**8:45** Welcoming Remarks  
Keynote--to be announced  
Conference Outline and Purpose

**10:00** BREAK

**10:20** **Historical Perspectives and Present Problems**  
Jack Goldstone, Northwestern University

**The Youth Bulge**  
Gary Fuller, University of Hawaii

**11:15** Discussion

**11:45** LUNCH

**1:00** **Urbanization**  
Henry Bienen, Princeton University

**Ethnic Group Trends**  
Gary Fuller, University of Hawaii

**1:45** Discussion

**2:15** BREAK

**2:30** **Country and Regional Perspectives--**  
Moderator: Ron Kuipers

**The Middle East**  
Abdel Omran, University of Maryland

**Egypt**  
Del Roy, Hitachi Foundation

**Sri Lanka**  
Howard Wriggins, Columbia University

**WEDNESDAY, July 8, 1987**

**8:30**            **AIDS--The Potential Demographic Threat**  
                  Barbara Torrey, Center for International Research  
**AIDS--Destabilization Possibilities**  
                  Jack Goldstone, Northwestern University

**9:30**            **Country and Regional Perspectives--**  
                  Moderator:  Defense Intelligence            STAT  
                  College

**Nigeria**  
                  -Thomas Goliber, The Futures Group

**10:30**            BREAK

**10:50**            **Latin America**  
                  Moderator: Randy Pherson

**Brazil**  
                  Thomas Merrick, Population Reference Bureau  
                  Lincoln Gordon, Former US Ambassador to Brazil

**11:45**            LUNCH

**12:45**            **Central America**  
                  Sergio Diaz Briquetts, Duquesne University  
**Mexico**  
                  Susan Kaufmann-Purcell, Council on  
                  Foreign Relations  
                  Dave Simcox, Center for Immigration Research

**2:00**            Discussion

**2:15**            BREAK

**2:30**            **Policy issues discussion**  
                  Moderator--Marshall Greene, Population Crisis  
                  Committee

Subjects include perceptions of foreign leaders,  
immigration issues, assistance issues, and research  
issues.

Robert Smith, The Futures Group  
Dave Simcox, Center for Immigration Research  
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