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Panel Discussion on

ISIS in America: From Retweets to Raqqa

The George Washington University's Program on Extremism will release a first-of-its-kind report on Americans recruited to join ISIS on December 1, 2015. The report, entitled *ISIS in America: From Retweets to Raqqa* will be released at an event featuring Lorenzo Vidino, Director of the Program on Extremism, Seamus Hughes, Deputy Director, Michael Downing, commanding officer of the Counter-Terrorism & Special Operations Bureau at the Los Angeles Police Department, and Ambassador Alberto Fernandez, former Coordinator of the Center for Strategic Counterterrorism Communications (CSCC).

The report examines all cases of U.S. persons arrested, indicted, or convicted in the United States for ISIS-related activities. A wide array of legal documents (over 7,000 pages) related to these cases provides empirical evidence for identifying several demographic factors related to the arrested individuals. This section also looks at the cases of other Americans who, while not in the legal system, are known to have engaged in ISIS-inspired behavior.

The report also examines various aspects of the ISIS-related mobilization in America. It analyzes the individual motivations of ISIS supporters; the role of the Internet and, in particular, social media, in their radicalization and recruitment processes; whether their radicalization took place in isolation or with other, like-minded individuals; and the degree of their tangible links to ISIS. The report concludes with recommendations to combat ISIS recruitment in the United States.

Register

Tuesday, December 1, 2015
10:00am until 11:30am

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