US FOREIGN INTERVENTION: THE MORAL ISSUES

February 24-25, 1989

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FRIDAY
February 24

3:30
THE RISE AND FALL OF SUPERPOWER INTERVENTION: PAST TRENDS, FUTURE DIRECTIONS, POLICY IMPLICATIONS
A report from the DU research team
Professor Karen Feste, University of Denver
UMC 235

5:00
Dinner
UMC Aspen Room

7:30
KEYNOTE ADDRESS: THE MORAL STATUS OF INTERVENTION
Professor Terry Nardin, University of Wisconsin
Ramsey Auditorium, C350

9:00
RECEPTION
Duane Physics Tower Room

SATURDAY
February 25

9:30
MAY A STATE'S RIGHT TO AUTONOMY BE OVERRIDDEN TO PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS?
A panel discussion
UMC 235

Moderator: Professor Robert Schults (DU, Philosophy)
Professor Terry Nardin, (U. of Wisconsin, Political Science)
Mr. Sean Conway, (US Sen. W. Armstrong's office)
Professor Virginia Held, (CUNY Graduate Center, Philosophy)
Professor Tom Mayer, (CU, Sociology)

An Open Discussion with the public follows

12:00
LUNCH

1:00
WHAT NATIONAL SECURITY CONCERNS CAN JUSTIFY FOREIGN INTERVENTION?
A panel discussion
UMC 235

Moderator: Professor Larry Larson, (DU, Philosophy)
Professor David Hendrickson, (Colorado College, Political Science)
Professor Michael Sathre, (Vigilante, Political Science)
Professor Terry Moore, (Air Force Academy, Philosophy)
Professor Alan Gilbert, (DU, Political Science)

(Break)

3:00
Small Group Discussions

5:00
Topics:
- Are Economic Boycotts Morally Legitimate? UMC 235
- Does National Security Justify Covert Intervention? UMC 157B
- Palestinian Rights, Israel, and National Security UMC 158A
- What Latin American Interventions are Justified? UMC 158B
- Are Moral Considerations Relevant to Foreign Policy? UMC 157A
- What Counts as Intervention? UMC 155
- Do Environmental Issues Ever Justify Intervention? UMC 230
- To What Extent is the US Obliged by International Law? UMC 412

The Department of Philosophy presents the thirteenth annual Colloquium on Social Philosophy in honor of its late colleague Bertram Morris and as a service to the community. Reflecting the commitments of its namesake, each colloquium offers philosophical perspectives on a particular social issue. A primary aim of the conference is to involve experienced and thoughtful people from different segments of the community.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Terry Nardin (Ph.D. in Political Science, Northwestern University) is a Professor of Political Science at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the Director of the Honors Program there. He is the author of Law, Morality, and the Relations of States, and has two books in progress. He has also written numerous articles on the subject of intervention.

Karen Feiste (Ph.D., Pol. Sci., University of Minnesota) is a Professor for the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Denver. She is the author of The Arab-Israeli Conflict: A Decision Making Game, the editor of Monograph Series in World Affairs, and she's currently writing a book on negotiating strategies in the Arab-Israel conflict.

David Hendrickson (Ph.D., Pol. Sci., Johns Hopkins) is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Colorado College and the author of Reforming Defense: The State of American Civil-Military Relations.

Major Terrance Moore (Ph.D., Phil., Univ. of Pittsburgh) is an Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the US Air Force Academy and has written on the applicability of State's Rights to foreign policy matters.

Alan Gilbert (Ph.D., Pol. Sci., Harvard) is an Associate Professor in the International Studies Department at Denver University. He is the author of Democracy and Individuality: A Defense of Moral Objectivity, and has written on Marxian Politics.

Sean Conway is the staff director of Northern Colorado for Senator William Armstrong.

Bertram Morris (1908-1981) was born in Denver. Educated at Princeton and Cornell, he taught at the University of Colorado at Boulder from 1947 until his retirement in 1977. He published several books, including The Aesthetic Process, Philosophical Aspects of Culture, and Institutions of Intelligence. Bertram Morris is remembered as much for his committed involvement in the social issues of his community as for his teaching and research. In 1975 he began an outreach program at Manual High School in Denver that still continues. In 1975 he was given a special award by the American Civil Liberties Union of Colorado for his efforts on behalf of academic freedom and his work to improve conditions at the Boulder County Jail.

As an expression of admiration and gratitude, the Philosophy Department established this colloquium when Bertram Morris retired in 1977.

Help us continue the Bertram Morris Colloquium on Social Philosophy. University faculty, staff, former students, and friends of Bertram Morris have now contributed approximately $40,000 to our endowment campaign. Our goal for the endowment is $50,000. Please help us reach it and your tax-deductible contribution to the University of Colorado Foundation, Boulder, CO 80309.

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