PREVIEW PROGRAMME

PRIVATE MILITARY AND SECURITY COMPANIES: WORKING TOWARDS AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT

Nyon, Switzerland

Thursday 4 – Saturday 6 June 2009

WP979th WILTON PARK CONFERENCE
in co-operation with Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights and with support from Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Berne

THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2009: SETTING THE SCENE

1230 onwards Arrival of participants
1330 onwards Light refreshments available

1430-1500 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE CONFERENCE
Isobelle JAQUES
Programme Director, Wilton Park, Steyning
Anton THALMANN
Deputy State Secretary, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Berne
Theodore WINKLER
Director, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), Geneva

1500-1630 1 BEYOND THE MONTREUX PROCESS: WORKING TOWARDS AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT
Christopher BEESE
Director, Corporate Affairs, G4S Risk Management, London
Anne-Marie BUZATU
Project Coordinator, Privatisation of Security Programme, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), Geneva

PERSPECTIVES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS
Cordula DROEGE
Legal Adviser, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Geneva

1630-1715 Conference Photograph followed by Tea/Coffee

1715-1845 2 WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM EXISTING PMSC CODES OF CONDUCT?
Chair: Eric Westropp
Former Board Member, Control Risks, London
Doug BROOKS
President, IPOA, The Association of the Stability Operations Industry, Washington DC
Andrew BEARPPARK
Director General, British Association of Private Security Companies, London
FRIDAY 5 JUNE 2009: ELEMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT

0900-1030 3 CHALLENGES IN APPLYING PRINCIPLES IN PRACTICE: WHAT STANDARDS AND ELEMENTS FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT?
Nils ROSEMANN
Desk Officer, Human Security and Business, Human Rights Policy Section, Political Affairs Division IV, Human Security, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Berne

Plenary introduction followed by parallel break-out groups on:

- **STANDARDS: DEFINITION, SCOPE AND THRESHOLD**
  Chair: Cordula Droge, Legal Adviser, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Geneva
  Rapporteur: Chris Sanderson, Director, Government Support, Control Risks, London

- **INTEGRATING HUMAN RIGHTS STANDARDS**
  Chair: Claire Mahon, Senior Researcher, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Geneva

- **VETTING AND TRAINING OF PMSC PERSONNEL**
  Chair: Oliver Broad, Regional Analyst, BP plc, London
  Rapporteur: Chris Greyling, President, Pan Africa Security Association (PASA)

1030-1100 Tea/Coffee

1100-1230 4 REPORT BACK TO PLENARY SESSION OF WORKING GROUP POLICY OPTIONS AND DISCUSSION

1300-1430 Lunch

1430-1600 5 WHAT PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT?
James COCKAYNE
Senior Associate, International Peace Institute (IPI), New York

Plenary introduction followed by plenary break-out groups on:

- **CONTRACTUAL ENFORCEMENT BY CLIENTS**
  Chair: Graham Minter, Senior Consultant, Corporate Policy and Practice, International Business Leaders’ Forum (IBLF), London
  Rapporteur: Adrian Powell, Legal Advisor (Iraq), Aegis, Baghdad

- **ENFORCEMENT BY STATES AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION**
  Chair: Jonathan Reed, Desk Officer, PMSCs, Conflict Group, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London
  Rapporteur: Devon Chaffee, Advocacy Counsel, Human Rights First, Washington DC

- **CREATION OF AN INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM**
  Chair: Andrew Bearpark, Director General, British Association of Private Security Companies, London
  Rapporteur: Christopher Mayer, Former Chief of Staff, Core Group, Global Security Affairs, Department of Defense, Washington DC

1600-1630 Tea/Coffee
SATURDAY 6 JUNE 2009: NEXT STEPS AND THE WAY FORWARD

0900-1030 7 NEXT STEPS TO ESTABLISH AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT: LEARNING FROM OTHER INITIATIVES
Chair: John MORRISON
Executive Director, Institute for Human Rights and Business, Copenhagen
Graham MINTER
Senior Consultant, Corporate Policy and Practice, International Business Leaders’ Forum (IBLF), London
Andrew BEARPARK
Director General, British Association of Private Security Companies, London

1030-1100 Tea/Coffee

1100-1230 8 CONCLUDING PANEL: HOW TO LEAD AND INSTITUTIONALISE THE CONTINUING PROCESS
Chair: Thomas GREMINGER
Ambassador, Head of Political Affairs, Human Security, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Political Division IV, Berne
Andrew CLAPHAM
Director, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights; Professor of International Law, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
Anne-Marie BUZATU
Project Coordinator, Privatisation of Security Programme, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), Geneva
Chris SANDERSON
Director, Government Support, Control Risks, London
David HUNT
Deputy Head, Conflict Prevention Group, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London

1245 Lunch

1400 Participants depart