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**"Upcoming American Election and What It Might
Mean for American Asia Policy"**

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Douglas J. Macdonald has taught at Colgate University since 1987, where in the past he has served as the Director of the International Relations Program. He received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts, *Magna Cum Laude*, in 1977. He then earned the M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University in the city of New York. Dr. Macdonald's doctoral dissertation won the Helen Dwight Reed Award from the American Political Science Association for best dissertation in international relations for 1985-1986. It was subsequently published by Harvard University Press in 1992 as *Adventures in Chaos: American Intervention for Reform in the Third World*. He has also published articles in academic journals such as *Security Studies* and *International Security*, written numerous book reviews, as well as contributing chapters to various edited collections.

Dr. Macdonald has been awarded Research Fellowships at the Center for International Affairs at Harvard University and the Norwegian Nobel Institute in Oslo, Norway. Macdonald served in the U.S. Air Force intelligence services, attaining the rank of sergeant, and was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal in 1970.

From August, 2005 to August, 2007, Dr. Macdonald served as Visiting Research Professor in National Security Affairs at the Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa. While there, he published a monograph on Islamist ideology entitled, "The New Totalitarians: Social Identities and Radical Islamist Political Grand Strategy".

Macdonald is currently writing a book on the role of ideology in international relations, 1789 to the present, and working on a second monograph for the Strategic Studies Institute tentatively entitled, "The New Terror and the New Democracies in Southeast Asia: the Philippines, Thailand, and Indonesia." It is scheduled to be published sometime in 2008.

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