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## "Iraq and Just War" : A Symposium

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Earlier this year, 60 U.S. intellectuals wrote that "the use of military force against the murderers of September 11 and those who assist them is not only morally justified, but morally necessary.

" That letter primarily concerned Afghanistan. Now the focus is on Iraq. On September 30, four of these distinguished scholars — all of whom subscribe to the notion that war is sometimes morally justified — will seek to apply the universal principles of just war to what is arguably today's most urgent public question: Should the U.S. invade Iraq ?

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Symposium Monday, September 30, 2002

10 a.m. - Noon

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Root Room

1779 Mass. Ave., NW, Washington, DC

Panelist include :

Gerard Bradley is Professor of Law at Notre Dame Law School. A noted scholar in the fields of constitutional law and law and religion, his books include *Catholicism, Liberalism, and Communitarianism*. He is the director of Notre Dame's Natural Law Institute and is a former president of the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars.

William A. Galston is Professor at the School of Public Affairs at the University of Maryland and Director of the Institute for Philosophy and Public Policy. His books include *Liberal Purposes and Liberal Pluralism*. A widely respected political theorist who also participates in politics and policy, he served from 1993 to 1994 as President Clinton's deputy assistant for domestic policy. His recent articles on Iraq have appeared in the *Washington Post* and *The American Prospect*.

John Kelsay is the Richard L. Rubenstein Professor of Religion at Florida State University. A noted authority on Islam, he is co-editor, with James Turner Johnson, of *Just War and Jihad: Historical and Theoretical Perspectives on War and Peace in Western and Islamic Tradition* and *Cross, Crescent, and Sword: The Justification and Limitation of War in Western and Islamic Tradition*.

Michael Walzer is Professor at the School of Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study. He previously taught at Harvard and Princeton Universities. His writings address a wide variety of topics in political theory and moral philosophy. A broadly acclaimed authority on the morality of the use of force, he is the author, among other books, of *Just and Unjust Wars*, which has become a seminal text for just war analysis.

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