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THURSDAY, APRIL 14

5:00-8:00 pm—Orientation, Reception, and Dinner

(Including presentation by Tsuoyoshi Hasegawa on his new edited volume, *The Cold War in East Asia, 1945-1989*, and comment by Arne Westad, London School of Economics)

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

8:15-9:00—Continental Breakfast

Session 1 9:00-10:30—Nuclear Weapons

Chair: Jason Parker, Texas A & M University

Mary McPartland, George Washington University

“Captured Colleagues: British Scientists’ Advice about Their German Colleagues Detained at Farm Hall, 1945-1946”

Comment: Peter Westwick, University of Southern California

Jason Saltoun-Ebin, University of California, Santa Barbara

“Rethinking Reagan: Excaliber, the Sword behind the Shield”

Comment: Peter Westwick, University of Southern California

Anthony Crain, Ohio State University

“Neutron Diplomacy: The United States, West Germany, and the Enhanced Radiation Weapon Fiasco”

Comment: Hope M. Harrison, George Washington University

Session 2 10:40-12:10—Europe

Chair: Salim Yaqub, University of California, Santa Barbara

Weston Ullrich, London School of Economics

“‘The Same Old Girl’? U.S and Western Perceptions of the 1953 Soviet Leadership Changes”

Comment: Donal O’Sullivan, California State University, Northridge

Bernhard Blumenau, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies,
Geneva, Switzerland

“The Other Battleground of the Cold War: The UN, West Germany, and the Struggle Against International Terrorism in the 1970s”

Comment: Hope M. Harrison, George Washington University

Una Bergmane, Institute d’Etude Politique Paris

“French, American, and German Foreign Policy Toward the Lithuanian Crisis of 1990”

Comment: Mary Sarotte, University of Southern California

12:10-1:10—Lunch

1:10-2:15—Keynote Address by Mary Sarotte, University of Southern California

“The International Legacy of 1989”

2:15-3:00—General discussion led by Hope M. Harrison, George Washington University

Session 3 3:15-4:45—Africa

Chair: Mhoze Chikowero, University of California, Santa Barbara

Alessandro Iandolo, Oxford University

“The Rise and Fall of the ‘Soviet Model of Development’ in West Africa, 1957-1964”

Comment: Arne Westad, London School of Economics

Jamie Miller, Cambridge University

“‘This Bastion Against Communism’: South Africa and the Collapse of the Portuguese Empire, 1973-1974”

Comment: Jennifer De Maio, California State University, Northridge

Nathaniel Powell, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland

“Saving Mobutu: An International History of Africa’s First Peacekeeping Force”

Comment: Jennifer De Maio, California State University, Northridge

6:00 pm—Dinner at the home of Salim Yaqub

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

9:00-9:20—Continental Breakfast

Session 4 9:20-10:50—The Arab and Muslim Worlds

Chair: Donal O’Sullivan, California State University, Northridge

Paul Baltimore, University of California, Santa Barbara

“From the Camel to the Cadillac: American Perceptions of Saudi Arabian Modernization and Consumption in the Early Cold War”

Comment: Christopher Endy, California State University, Los Angeles

Brian Lawatch, George Washington University

“American Foreign Policy in North Africa: The 1958 Sakiyet Crisis and the Anglo-American Good Offices Mission”

Comment: Salim Yaqub, University of California, Santa Barbara

Hanna Jansen, University of Amsterdam

“Gorbachev’s Multipolarity: A Clash of Civilizations?”

Comment: Arne Westad, London School of Economics

Session 5 11:00-12:30—U.S. Domestic Affairs

Chair: Darlene Rivas

Amanda Schlumpberger, University of Kansas

“‘Like Landing on the Moon’: African Students, the Cold War, and Civil Rights in the United States in the 1960s”

Comment: Sara Pugach, California State University, Los Angeles

Eric Fenrich, University of California, Santa Barbara

“Guns, Butter, or Rockets: The Evolution of Presidential Rhetoric and the Race to the Moon”

Comment: Thomas Devine, California State University, Northridge

Rachel Winslow, University of California, Santa Barbara

“Preserving the Black Family: Transnational Adoption, Social Policy, and Race during the Vietnam War”

Comment: Christopher Endy, California State University, Los Angeles

12:30-1:15—Lunch

Session 6 1:15-3:05—East Asia

Chair: Xiaowei Zheng

Lyong Choi, London School of Economics

“The Peaceful ‘War’ in Korea: The Nixon Doctrine and South Korea’s Northern policy, 1969-1971”

Comment: Toshi Hasegawa, University of California, Santa Barbara

Helen Pho, University of Texas, Austin

“Cold War Kidnapping: The Gustav Hertz Case and the Failure of Secret Negotiations in Vietnam, 1965-1967”

Comment: Thomas Devine, California State University, Northridge

Brian Hilton, Texas A & M University

“‘A Tolerable State of Order’: The United States, Taiwan, and the Recognition of the People’s Republic of China, 1948-1979”

Comment: Thomas Maddux, California State University, Northridge

Anna Armentrout, University of California, Berkeley

“Containing the Cold War: The Fulbright Hearings, Veteran Experience, and Ending the War in Vietnam”

Comment: Thomas Maddux, California State University, Northridge

Session 7 3:15-4:45—Latin America and the Caribbean

Chair: Sara Pugach, California State University, Los Angeles

Jorge Rivera Marin, Cornell University

“Breaking the Covenant: The United States, Cienfuegos, and the Collapse of U.S.-Cuban Relations, 1957-1958”

Comment: Darlene Rivas, Pepperdine University

Aragorn Storm Miller, University of Texas, Austin

“Season of Storms: The United States, the Caribbean, and the New Politics of the Hemispheric Cold War, 1958-1961”

Comment: Jason Parker, Texas A & M University

Ivan McLaughlin, University College Cork, Ireland

“Is There a Sheriff Anymore?: The Vietnam Legacy in US-Nicaraguan Relations during the Carter Era”

Comment: Brian O’Neil, California State University, Long Beach

4:45-5:00—Closing Remarks