



PROGRAM

Humanitarian Diplomacy and International Crisis Management

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HUMANITARIAN DIPLOMACY AND INTERNATIONAL CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Even if the development of relationships between NGOs, diplomats, civilians and military forces is not new, the recent concepts of “duty to interfere” and “responsibility to protect” have paved the way for what is now called “humanitarian diplomacy”.

Since military operations took place in Iraq, Afghanistan, Darfur and Sahel, crisis resolution has been constantly evolving and now largely affects the relationships between military forces, diplomats and non-governmental organizations on the scene of action. As a matter of fact, the involvement of humanitarian organizations, medias, large multinational companies, private security firms and non-state actors on a regular basis raises the issue of having the various, State and non-State actors cohabitate, co-operate and integrate in the theatre, often with incompatible objectives.

Many tasks assigned to military forces, peace enforcement tasks, humanitarian assistance, and “nation building” are now increasingly contradictory and civil populations living in affected countries are the first victims of such situations, along with humanitarian workers.

The challenges our world is facing, local and international armed conflicts, major pandemics, violations of human rights, major migratory movements, corruption fighting, terrorism and the various forms of criminality, as well as natural and man-made disasters, can no longer be met at diplomatic level only. This is why a number of Western countries have been trying to find solutions implementing political, military and humanitarian strategies and increasingly delegating their powers, together with significant financial assets, to multilateral organizations and international NGOs, thus actually tasking humanitarian actors.

In the last 20 years, actors involved have progressively understood they highly depend on each other and on their mutual relationships. Many harmonization attempts have been made but no overall guidelines could be developed, because each crisis is unique.

A new approach is thus necessary if some form of control is to be implemented in crisis areas.

With this objective in mind, the Order of Malta and the French Navy, who share the same concerns, have decided to hold this meeting with internationally recognized personalities representing the military and civil institutions involved in humanitarian actions, in order to define the practices and courses of action to be implemented by the various actors in the theatre and delineate the aims and ethics of these types of deployments.



The Baillish Jean-Pierre Mazery
*Grand Chancellor of the Sovereign Military
Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem
of Rhodes of Malta*



Admiral Pierre-François Forissier
Chief of Staff of the Navy

Debates will be introduced and
co-ordinated by
Alain MENARGUES
Former RFI Information Director
Former Radio France correspondent
in Beirut from 1982 to 1995
Special correspondent

Thursday 27 January 2011

From 8:15: Registration and welcome coffee

9:00 - 9:40 am

Welcoming address

Irina BOKOVA, *UNESCO Director General*

Opening

by **the Bailiff Jean-Pierre MAZERY**, *Grand Chancellor of the Sovereign Order of Malta* and
by **Amiral Pierre-François FORISSIER**, *Chief of Staff of the Navy*

9:40 - 10:00 am

the French Minister of Foreign Affairs (to be confirmed)

MAIN CONSIDERATIONS AND NEW ACTORS

10:00 - 11:15

THE NEW INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENT

Louis MICHEL, *Member of the European parliament, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belgium, Former European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid*

His Excellency Mgr Francesco FOLLO, *Permanent Observer of the Holy See to UNESCO and the Latin Union*

Rear-Admiral (Ret) Jean DUFOURCQ, *Chief Editor of the French National Defence Review, Former member of the Analysis and Projection Centre of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the French Standing Representation in Brussels to the European Union and the NATO Defence College in Rome.*

Nicole GNESOTTO, *Professor at the National Conservatory of Arts & Crafts (CNAM) (chair of the European Union); first Director of the European Union's Institute for Security Studies*

Professeur Mounir BOUCHENAKI, *Director General, International Studies Centre for the preservation and restoration of cultural property - ICCROM*

11:15 - 11:45 am: Break

11:45 - 1:00 pm

CHANGES IN MANAGING INTERNATIONAL CRISES THE ROLES OF THE VARIOUS ACTORS

Major Général Claudio GRAZIANO, *Head of the Executive Office of the Italian Minister of Defence, Former UNIFIL Commander (Lebanon)*

Philippe LECLERC, *Representative to France of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees*

Lieutenant General (Ret) Xavier BOUT de MARNHAC, *Chief of the «Rule of Law» mission deployed by the European Union to Kosovo, EULEX KOSOVO – Former KFOR Commander (Kosovo)*

Angela GUSSING, *Deputy Director of Global Operations, International Committee of the Red Cross*

1:15 - 2:45 pm: Buffet lunch

LESSONS LEARNED

2:15 - 3:45 pm

WHAT GOES WELL AND WHAT GOES WRONG IN THE THEATRE ACTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF INSTITUTIONAL ACTORS, POLITICIANS, ARMED FORCES, HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS AND MEDIAS

Rashid KHALIKOV, *Representative of the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator (OCHA); Director of the Geneva office*

Vice-amiral Xavier MAGNE, *Deputy Chief of Staff "Operations", French Navy, former Commander of Operation Baliste in Lebanon (2006-2008)*

Ambassador Pierre DUQUESNE, *Ambassador in charge of Economic Affairs for Reconstruction and Development at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ambassador in charge of interdepartmental aid Co-ordination and Reconstruction in Haiti (CIRH)*

Alain BOINET, *Director General and Founding member of the NGO "SOLIDARITES INTERNATIONALE", former President of the Orientation Council for Emergency Humanitarian Aid at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

3:45 – 4:15: Break

4:15 – 5:30 pm

CRISIS MANAGEMENT: COURSES OF ACTION AND ETHICS

Ambassadeur Régis KOETSCHET, *Ambassador, Head of the Civil Affairs Mission, Director, Globalization, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs Former Ambassador to Afghanistan*

Peter ZANGL, *Director General, Humanitarian Aid Department, European Union (ECHO)*

Michel VEUTHEY, *Vice-president of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law*

Ingo RADTKE, *Secretary General of Malteser International, the worldwide relief organization for humanitarian aid of the Sovereign Order of Malta*

5:30 – 6:00

Wrap up

Admiral Jacques LAUNAY *Inspector General of the Navy and*

Film Projection: French Naval missions in support of the
Lebanese and Haitian peoples

Evening free

Friday 28 January 2011

From 8:30 am: Registration and welcome coffee

INTERNATIONAL CRISIS MANAGEMENT: A NEW WAY AHEAD

9:00 – 11:00

**THE WAY AHEAD IN TERMS OF CO-ORDINATION,
PARTNERSHIP OR INTEGRATION A BETTER
USE OF EXISTING MEDIATION TOOLS**

Suggestions for strategies and politics

Général Patrick de ROUSIERS, *Inspector of the Army*

Omar HILALE, *Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Morocco to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations in Geneva*

Laurent THOMAS, *Director, Emergency Operations, F.A.O., Rome*

Benoît MIRIBEL, *Director General of "Fondation Mérieux" President of Action against Hunger*

Michael BITTRICK, *Deputy Director responsible for Security Affairs, Office of Regional and Security Affairs, Africa Bureau, Department of State*

11:00 – 11:30 am: Break

11:30 – 12:00 am

Conference wrap up

by **Ambassador Pierre MOREL**, *Special Representative of the European Union for Central Asia, Former Ambassador to the Russian Federation, to the Popular Republic of China and to the Holy See*

12:00 am – 1:00 pm

Conclusions by:

Mrs Kristalina GEORGIEVA, *European Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response*

Admiral Edouard GUILLAUD, *Chief of the French Defence Staff*

HMEH Fra' Matthew FESTING, *Grand Master of the Order of Malta*

Order of Malte

Created more than 900 years ago, the Order of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes of Malta is the oldest charitable organization. Working as a hospital for the benefit of the poor, the sick and the refugees, the Order of Malta today is permanently active in more than a hundred countries and has 13,000 members, 11,000 medical experts and paramedics and 80,000 volunteers; it is also present in all areas where natural disasters or armed conflicts occur.

As a subject of international law, the Order of Malta maintains diplomatic relations with 104 countries and with the European Union. It has permanent observer status to the United Nations in New York, Geneva, Vienna, Rome and Paris and to the main international organizations. As a specific actor in the international arena, the Order of Malta can conduct its humanitarian and caring activities worldwide and uses humanitarian diplomacy as a strength for the benefit of the weakest, regardless of origin, race, religion or culture.

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The relations between the Order of Malta and the French Navy

The Order of Malta and the French Navy have in common a long and glorious history in the Mediterranean. Famous Knights of Malta, d'Amfreville, d'Estrées, Knight Paul, Coëtlogon, the Marshal of Tourville, the Bailiff of Suffren, Forbin, the Count de Grasse, have marked the history of the French Royal Navy. These glorious sailors created the first naval academy in history. Today, several vessels of the French Navy bear the names of these well-known Admirals and contribute to humanitarian and hospital activities carried out by the two institutions, in particular through the shipping of medicines and humanitarian supplies.

The French Navy: a few figures

The French Navy now has more than 38,000 military and 7,000 civilians. Operations in 2009 included 14,700 days at sea, 44,300 flight hours and 14,000 sailors at sea. The French Navy permanently deploys 33 ships to sea, with 2,000 sailors and five aircraft in flight.

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