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March 17-19, 2005
361 J. Wayne Reitz Union
University of Florida
Gainesville

Conference Convener:
Professor Luise White
2004-05 Gwendolen M. Carter Fellow
Thursday March 17, Reitz Union 361

9:00-9:30am Welcome: Luise White, Leonardo A. Villalón

9:30-11:00am WHY DO SOCIETIES FIGHT?
Chair: Brenda Chalfin, University of Florida

11:15-12:45pm WHY DO AFRICAN STATES FIGHT?
Chair: Michael Leslie, University of Florida
Andrew Mwenda (The Monitor, Kampala) “Uganda’s Politics of Development and Violent Conflict: The Unintended Consequences of Foreign Aid”
Jean-Hervé Jezequel (University of Michigan), “Wrangling over ‘Civilians’: Tactics of Displacement, Fixation, and Control during the Liberian War”

12:45-3:00pm Lunch

3:15-4:45pm WHAT DO PEOPLE FIGHT WITH?
Chair: Apollo Amoko, University of Florida
Brian Wood (Amnesty International), “Arming and Re-arming the DRC and Sudan”

5:00-6:30pm WHO JOINS MILITIAS?
Chair: Alioune Sow, University of Florida
Ibrahim Abdullah (Fourah Bay College), “Culture, Context and Politics: The Dynamics of Militia Recruitment in Sierra Leone”

Friday March 18, Reitz Union 361

9:00-10:30am SOLDIERS IN STATES
Chair: Abdoulaye Kane, University of Florida
Jocelyn Alexander (Oxford University), “Soldiers and Loyalty in a New Nation: ZIPRA In and Out of the Zimbabwe National Army”
Alphonse Maindo (Université de Paris I), “War and the Reconfiguration of Powers in the DRC”

10:45-12:15pm WHO NEEDS A PROFESSIONAL ARMY?
Chair: Susan O’Brien, University of Florida
Herbert Howe (Georgetown University), “Should Nigeria Have a Professional Army?”
William Reno (Northwestern University) “Professionalizing Mercenaries on the Post-9/11 Battlefield”

12:15-2:00pm Lunch

Friday afternoon sessions will be at the Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art

2:30-4:00pm WHAT HAPPENS TO PEOPLE WHEN THEY FIGHT?
Chair: Matthew Gallman, University of Florida
Patricia Hayes (University of the Western Cape) “Male Trouble: Realism and Phantasmagoria in the Border War, Namibia, 1976-1989”
Eisei Kurimoto (Osaka City University) “Fighting in the Bush for Too Long: The Experience of Pari Men and Women in Sudan’s Civil War”

4:15-5:45pm SLIDE SHOW AT THE SAMUEL P. HARN MUSEUM OF ART
Chair: John Kaplan, University of Florida
Guy Tillim (photojournalist, South Africa) and Danny Hoffman (University of Washington)

6-8pm Reception at Harn

Saturday March 19, Reitz Union 346

9:10-10:30am THE CONDUCT OF CIVILIANS IN WAR
Chair: Abe Goldman, University of Florida
Jok Madut Jok (Loyola Marymount University) “A Crumbling Social Landscape: Sudan’s Prolonged War and the Militarization of Civilian Life”

10:45-12:15pm VETERANS AND STATES
Chair: Stephen Ortiz, University of Florida
Gregory Mann (Columbia University) “Colonial Military Veterans in Radical Regimes: Mali in the 1960s”
Norma Kriger (Human Rights Watch) “Contesting Heroism: Veterans in Post-War Zimbabwe”

12:15-2:30pm Break

2:30-4:00pm Summary discussion (participants)

Invited members of the audience: Col. Robert A. Doughty (US Military Academy) and Professor Leonard V. Smith (Oberlin College)