DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR EDUCATORS AND POLICY MAKERS



What do the jihadists want?

- 1. Do popular elections, even in a constitutional framework, deflate or empower radical Islamists?
- 2. Did the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan erode jihadism, have only marginal effect upon it, or enhance its appeal?
- 3. Over a decade after 9/11, which is the greater danger to Western interests—the Iranian-Hezbollah-radical Shiite axis, or the Sunni Islamists and al-Qaeda affiliates backed by Persian Gulf money and supportive governments like those in Egypt and Pakistan?



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