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### **Education**

- January 2005-present* **Doctoral Candidate, International Relations & Politics,**  
School of Social Science and Cultural Studies, University of Sussex. Thesis: 'The Violence of Empire: The Logic and Dynamic of Strategies of Violence and Genocide in Historical and Contemporary Imperial Systems'
- October 2003-November 2004* **University of Sussex: MA, Contemporary War and Peace Studies (Grade: Distinction),** Modules: Foundations of World Politics (A); Contemporary Warfare and Society (A-); Issues in International Security (B); International Conflict Analysis (B+); MA Dissertation, 'Structural Violence as a Form of Genocide: The Impact of the International Economic Order' (A+)
- January 2003-July 2003* **Birkbeck, University of London: Certificate in Development Studies,** Modules: Development: Theories & Strategies; Development in a Global Context; Development in Practice
- September 1994-June 1998* Ilford County High School: 3 A-levels (A, A, E).  
Bancrofts School: 9 GCSEs, 5 (A)s; 4(B)s.

### **Work**

- September 2005* **Associate Tutor, Department of International Relations and Politics, School of Social Science and Cultural Studies, University of Sussex;** teaching undergraduate courses in Classical Political Theory, International Relations, and The Short Twentieth Century.
- April 2001-Present* **Founder and Executive Director of the Institute for Policy Research & Development (IPRD) [www.globalresearch.org]** based in London, NW1, UK (founded in Brighton, April 2001).
- Commission and publish original research by leading international scholars in North-South relations; security studies; conflict analysis; environmental studies; development studies.
  - Manage peer-review process by an international Academic/Editorial Advisory Board [full details available upon request];
  - Develop research archive of reports/articles relevant to IPRD agenda;
  - Write, edit and proof all published material;
  - Manage and maintain publication and editorial schedules;
  - Commission and coordinate interdisciplinary research programmes;
  - Manage a team of voluntary administrative and research staff
  - Network with other organizations and researchers
  - Respond to press inquiries; conduct interviews; promote the IPRD through a variety of media;
  - Website administration
- January 1999-September 2001* **Senior Researcher and Press Officer at the Islamic Human Rights Commission (IHRC)[www.ihrc.org]** in London, UK, nonprofit NGO with United Nations Consultative status.

- Researching and monitoring human rights violations in specific countries;
- Author of *IHRC Country Reports on Human Rights Practices* in the Middle East, Central Asia, Caucasus and Africa;

- Collecting and filing relevant documentation;
- Debriefing Chairman on monitoring progress;
- Preparing press releases, and answering press inquiries; written and published numerous press releases used by UK national newspapers and agencies, including Reuters, Associated Press, *The Guardian*, *The Independent*, *Jewish Chronicle* and *London Jewish News*;
- Managing and administrating campaigns; drafting and editing campaign literature; organized high profile, effective national and international campaigns receiving wide media coverage, for instance: Prisoners of Faith: resulting in release of unlawfully detained prisoners worldwide, especially in Turkey, Mauritius, Algeria, among others. Islamophobia in the UK: instrumental in recent changes in UK legislation concerning religious discrimination; research and guidance used by Home Office and Metropolitan Police post-9/11.

November 2000-April 2001 **Editor of *Voice Of Unity (VoU) magazine*** at the IUS, a registered charity based in London, UK. Head of Newsletter and Publications, Executive Committee.

- Write, proof, edit interviews, news, reviews, articles
- Manage a team of staff
- Commission contributors on a diverse range of topics, e.g. current affairs, women's issues, religion.
- Manage and maintain print, production and editorial schedules and monthly flat-plan.
- Help organize large annual conferences for youth and students.

### Other Professional Experience

August 2005 Member of Scientific Committee, *Asteriskos: Revista de Estudos Internacionais e da Paz* [*Journal of International and Peace Studies*] and Member of Editorial Council, Book Series 'International Studies' and 'Peace Studies', at Gazilan Institute of International Security and Peace Studies (IGESIP) [[www.igesip.org](http://www.igesip.org)]

July 2005 Expert Testimony in Congress, All-Day Congressional Hearing, *The 9/11 Commission Report One Year Later: A Citizens' Response Did They Get it Right?*, [entered into *Congressional Record*], Caucus Room, Capitol Hill, 22/7/05.

2004 Regular guest, political commentator and newspaper reviewer at BBC Southern Counties Radio.

2003 Winner of Italy's most prestigious literary award, The Naples Prize (Premio Napoli), in International Non-Fiction (26/9/03) for *The War on Freedom*.

2003-present Member of TRANSCEND: A Peace and Development Organization for Conflict Transformation by Peaceful Means [[www.transcend.org](http://www.transcend.org)]; an international network of invited scholars and practitioners founded and chaired by Johan Galtung, Professor of Peace Studies, University of Hawai.

2002-present Named Global Expert on War, Peace and International Affairs by The Freedom Network of The International Society for International Liberty in California; listed in The Freedom Network's *Directory of Experts*, <http://www.free-market.net/directorybytopic/war/C3/>.

1996-2000 Oxfam Campaigner, includes campaign work on poverty, the arms trade, and the global economy, through letter writing and lobbying of Members of Parliament, among other political representatives and bodies.

### Skills

Advanced familiarity with MS Office, Word, Powerpoint and Excel; typing/word-processing speed = over 70wpm; conversant with quantitative research methods; basic knowledge of IT networking.

## Publications

### *Books and Book Contributions*

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *The War on Truth: 9/11, Disinformation and the Anatomy of Terrorism*, Olive Branch Press, New York, 2005; Arris Books, London, 2005.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Guerra alla verità: La disinformazione sull'11 settembre ei piani USA di dominio globale*, Fazi Editore, Rome, 2004.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, 'The Discourse of Empire: United States National Security Strategies Since 1945', in Thoden, Ronald (ed.), *Terror und Staat: Der 11 September – Hintergründe und Folgen: Goestregie, Terror, Geheimdienste, Medien, Kriege, Folter (Edition Zeitgeschichte)*, Kai Homilius Verlag, Berlin, 2004.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, 'Afterword: State Terrorism at the Dawn of the New American Century' in Blum, William, *Il libro nero degli Stati Uniti* [English edition known as *Killing Hope: US Military and CIA Interventions Since World War II*], Fazi Editore, Rome, 2003.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Dominio: La guerra americana all'Iraq e il genocidio umanitario*, Fazi Editore, Rome, 2003.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Behind the War on Terror: Western Secret Strategy and the Struggle for Iraq*, New Society, Gabriola Island, 2003; Clairview, London, 2003.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Geheimsache 09/11. Hintergründe über den 11. September und die Logik amerikanischer Machtpolitik*, Riemann [Random House/Bertelsmann], Munich, 2003.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *The Great Deception: How and Why America was Attacked, September 11, 2001*, Thinkers Library, Kuala Lumpur, 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *The War on Freedom: How and Why America was Attacked, September 11, 2001*, Arab Scientific Publishers, Lebanon, 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Guerra alla libertà Il ruolo dell'amministrazione Bush nell'attacco dell'11 settembre*, Fazi Editore, Rome, 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *The War on Freedom: How and Why America was Attacked, September 11, 2001*, Institute for Policy Research & Development and Tree of Life Publications, Joshua Tree, California, 2002.

### *Journal Papers*

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, 'Terrorism and Western Statecraft: Al-Qaeda and Western Covert Operations After the Cold War', in Paul Zarembka (ed.), *Research in Political Economy* (Elsevier, Amsterdam, [forthcoming] 2006, Vol. 23).

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, 'UN Humanitarian Intervention in East Timor-a Critical Appraisal: Success or Failure?', *Revista de Historia Actual* [Contemporary History Review] (Fall 2004) [paper journal]

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, 'The globalization of insecurity. How the international economic order undermines human and national security on a World scale', *Historia Actual* [Contemporary History], 5 (Fall 2004), [journal online] <http://www.hapress.com/haol.php?a=n05a06> [with access on 21-09-2004].

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Modern Turkey – A Shining Example of Secular Democracy?' *The American Muslim*, September-October 2003, [http://www.theamericanmuslim.org/2003sept\\_comments.php?id=140\\_0\\_22\\_30\\_C](http://www.theamericanmuslim.org/2003sept_comments.php?id=140_0_22_30_C).

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The Impending Abyss – A Comprehensive Assessment of the Past and Future Trajectory of the Israel-Palestine Conflict', *The Global Site*, University of Sussex, Brighton, July 2002, <http://www.theglobalsite.ac.uk/justpeace/israel-palestine.htm>.

- Listed in *Middle East Review of International Affairs*, No. 6, July 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The Collapse of Standard Operating Procedures on September 11', *Studien von Zeitfragen* [*Contemporary Studies*], January-June 2002, <http://www.studien-von-zeitfragen.net>.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'America and the Taliban: From Co-operation to War', *Global Dialogue*, Centre for World Dialogue, Spring 2002, Vol. 4, No. 2.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Post-Zionism - Sons & Heroes of Judaism: The Tide Turns Against Holy Land Apartheid', *Studien von Zeitfragen* [*Contemporary Studies*], January-June 2002, <http://www.studien-von-zeitfragen.net>.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Distortion, Deception and Terrorism: The Bombing of Afghanistan', *International Socialist Review*, November-December 2001.

### ***Human Rights Reports and Briefings***

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Apartheid in the Holy Land: Racism in the Zionist State of Israel*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, August 2001. Paper Presented at the NGO Forum of the United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (Durban, South Africa, 31<sup>st</sup> August-7<sup>th</sup> September 2001).

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, Faisal Bodi, Reza Kazim and Massoud Shadjareh, *The Oldham Riots: Discrimination, Deprivation and Communal Tension in the United Kingdom*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, June 2001.

- Featured in Report of the Runnymede Trust Commission on the Future of Multi-Ethnic Britain, [http://www.runnymedetrust.org/meb/islamophobia/ Web\\_bib.html](http://www.runnymedetrust.org/meb/islamophobia/ Web_bib.html).
- Used in Runnymede Trust Progress Report, 'Addressing the Challenge of Islamophobia', Commission on British Muslims and Islamophobia, November 2002, <http://www.runnymedetrust.org/meb/islamophobia/Islamreport.pdf>.
- Recommended by the National Police Library of CENTREX (Central Police Training and Development Authority) <http://www.centrex.police.uk/business/Bibliographies/RacismandthePolice.pdf>

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Suppressing Dissent: The Crackdown on Muslims in Zanzibar*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, May-June 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *The Killing in Kashmir and the Terrorism Act 2000: Briefing for MPs and Press*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, 29 December 2000.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Palestine Briefing for MPs: Part 1*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, 14 November 2000; *Palestine Briefing for MPs: Part 2*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, 6 December 2000.

Ahmed, Nafeez, *Islamophobia in Papua New Guinea: Briefing for MPs*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, November 2000.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *Routing Out The Opposition: The Comprehensive Repression of Human Rights in Turkish Society*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, October 2000.

- Launched by celebrated Turkish Member of Parliament Merve Kavacki at the Muslim Cultural Heritage Centre, London, November 2000.

Ahmed, Nafeez Mosaddeq, *The Smashing of Chechnya – An International Irrelevance: A Case Study of the Role of Human Rights in Western Foreign Policy*, Islamic Human Rights Commission, London, April 1999.

### ***Articles and Research Papers***

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Why the Media Lie, Part II: America in Terror and the War on Islam', *New Dawn: A Journal of Alternative News and Information*, Melbourne, July-August 2002, No. 72.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Why the Media Lie, Part I: The Corporate Structure of the Mass Media', *New Dawn: A Journal of Alternative News and Information*, Melbourne, May-June 2002, No. 72.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'America in Terror: September 11 and the War on Islam', *Media Monitors Network*, 15 May 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The Myth of Western Humanitarian Intervention: Grim Lessons from the Killing in Kosovo – A Case Study', *Media Monitors Network*, 4 April 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'State-Sponsored Terrorism in the Republic of India: Communal Violence and the Institutionalization of Religious Discrimination', *Media Monitors Network*, 10 March 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Prisoners of War: The Abuse of Power and the Regression of Civilisation', *Media Monitors Network*, 23 January 2002.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The Impact of Globalization: The Institutionalization of Social Crisis', *Media Monitors Network*, 11 January 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Globalization and World Order: The Institutionalization of Injustice', *Media Monitors Network*, 24 December 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Indonesia, East Timor and the Western Powers: A Case Study of the Role of Western Foreign Policy in Conflict Creation and Peace Sabotage', *Media Monitors Network*, 12 December 2001.

- Featured as a resource by *Back Door: Newsletter on East Timor*, Canberra, 15 December 2001, <http://www.pcug.org.au/~wildwood/01decpowers.htm>.
- Featured as a resource by the East Timor Action Network, New York, 16-22 December 2001, <http://www.etan.org/et2001c/december/16-22/19indo.htm>.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Racism, Civilization and the Holocaust of the New Millenium', *Media Monitors Network*, 30 November 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Engineering War in Bosnia: A Case Study of the Function of Peacekeeping in the Stabilization of World Order', *Media Monitors Network*, 26 November 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Bleeding the Gulf: The United Nations Sanctions on Iraq', *Media Monitors Network*, 30 October 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'United States Terrorism in the Sudan: The Bombing of Al-Shifa and its Strategic Role in U.S.-Sudan Relations', *Media Monitors Network*, 22 October 2001.

- Presented at the Policy Committee of the UK's National Union of Journalists (NUJ), October 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The 1991 Gulf Massacre: The Historical and Strategic Context of Western Terrorism in the Gulf', *Media Monitors Network*, 2 October 2001.

- Featured as a resource in Viewpoints Archive of Antiwar.Com, a division of the Center for Libertarian Studies ([www.libertarianstudies.org](http://www.libertarianstudies.org)) in California, <http://www.antiwar.com/archives/viewpoints43.html>.
- Republished by the award winning Iraq Resource Information Site (IRIS), <http://www.geocities.com/iraqinfo/index.html>.
- Recommended as a resource on U.S. energy policy in the Middle East by Bill Moore, Editor-in-Chief of *EVWorld* ([www.evworld.com](http://www.evworld.com)), 12 November 2001. (See <http://www.solarmobil.net/ev-world.htm>.)

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'American State Terrorism: A Critical Review of the Objectives of U.S. Foreign Policy in the Post-World War II Period', *Media Monitors Network*, 22 September 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'America in Terror – Causes and Context: The Foundational Principles of Western Foreign Policy and the Structure of World Order', *Media Monitors Network*, 12 September 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Hypocrisy in the Hague: The Complicity of the International Community in Creating and Perpetuating Bosnia's Humanitarian Catastrophe', *Media Monitors Network*, 8 August 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Is Zionism Racist? U.S. Manipulation of the UN Conference Against Racism', *Media Monitors Network*, 3 August 2001.

- Republished by Friendship Village: International Center of Education for Multi-cultural Society, Peace, & Democracy, Tel-Aviv, Israel, August 2001, <http://friendvill2.homestead.com/FriendshipvillageinBrief.html>.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Fanning the Flames of Ethnic War in Macedonia: The International Community's Exacerbation of the Balkans Crisis', *Media Monitors Network*, 24 July 2001.

- Listed in 'Opinions & Editorials' section of Yahoo! News, World Full Coverage, Macedonia section, July 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The Colonial Holocaust and its Legacy: Colonialism and its Contemporary Legacy in the Establishment of Western Civil Society', *Media Monitors Network*, 9 July 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'The Rape of Kashmir: Parallels with the Israeli Occupation of Palestine', *Media Monitors Network*, 5 May 2001.

- Listed in 'Opinions & Editorials' section of Yahoo! News, World Full Coverage in May 2001.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Afghanistan, the Taliban and the United States: The Role of Human Rights in Western Foreign Policy', Institute for Afghan Studies, Phoenix, Arizona, January 2001, <http://www.institute-for-afghan-studies.org>.

- Listed in 'Opinions & Editorials' section of Yahoo! News, World Full Coverage, Afghanistan section, in May 2001.
- Recommended as a resource in Central Asia section of the Conflict Prevention Initiative (CPI) of the Program on Humanitarian Policy and Conflict Research (HPCR), Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, [http://www.preventconflict.org/portal/centralasia/research\\_taliban.php](http://www.preventconflict.org/portal/centralasia/research_taliban.php).
- Recommended reading for 'Rhetoric of Peace and Conflict Course' at Department of Communications Studies, College of Arts, Media and Communication, California State University, Northridge, <http://www.vcsun.org/~battias/class/442/syl.html>.
- Recommended as a resource by Department of English, Wagner College, Staten Island, <http://www.wagner.edu/faculty/users/pjani/Hot%20Topics.htm>.

Ahmed, Nafeez, 'Algeria and the Paradox of Democracy', Algeria Watch International (AWI), Massachusetts, 1 November 2000, <http://www.pmw.org/awi>; <http://64.226.129.19/awi>.

- Republished as 'Algeria and the Paradox of Democracy: The 1992 Coup, its Consequences and the Contemporary Crisis', *Media Monitors Network*, (California), 11 May 2001.
- Featured as a resource in Initiative of Conflict Resolution and Ethnicity (INCORE), *INCORE guide to Internet sources on conflict and ethnicity in Algeria*, University of Ulster, Version 3, March 2001, <http://www.incore.ulst.ac.uk>.
- Recommended as a resource in Algeria section of the Historical Text Archive supported by the College of Arts and Sciences and the Computing Center of Mississippi State University, <http://historicaltextarchive.com>.

Translated in Spanish and republished online by several political magazines including *Z Magazine*, <http://www.zmag.org/Spanish/index.htm>.

### **Conferences and Seminars**

Public Address, 'Ties with Terror – Western and al-Qaeda Connections in the Post-Cold War Period', American University, Washington DC, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2005; filmed by C-SPAN, BOOK TV [aired 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> July 30<sup>th</sup>, and 1<sup>st</sup> August].

Testimony in Congress, All-Day Congressional Hearing, sponsored by Hon. Rep. Cynthia McKinney and Hon. Rep. Raul Grijalva, *The 9/11 Commission Report One Year Later: A Citizens' Response Did They Get it Right?*, 'Ties with Terror – Western and al-Qaeda Connections in the Post-Cold War Period' and 'The 9/11 Hijackers: Anomalies in the Official Narrative' [entered into *Congressional Record*], Caucus Room, Capitol Hill, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2005.

Participated in 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference of 'Project Borders: Multimedial Research into Frontiers Today', at IUAV (Istituto Universitario di Architettura di Venezia) University of Studies, Venice, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2004

[project sponsored by the Italian Government and the European Union]. Presented paper, 'Historical and Contemporary Imperium: Empire's Role in the Global Construction and Manipulation of Territorial and Ideological Borders'.

Participated in International Research Symposium 'Open Questions of 9/11', 911 Truth Alliance, Berlin, 7 September 2003. Presented revised version of paper, 'Anomalies in the 9/11 Official Narrative: Failures of U.S. Intelligence and Security Policy'.

Lecture at University of Leicester, 'Anomalies in the 9/11 Official Narrative: Failures of U.S. Intelligence and Security Policy', 5 August 2003.

Participated as featured speaker in 1<sup>st</sup> AVA Congress, American Voices Abroad, 'Public Symposium On American Policy and Its Consequences', Berlin, Germany, 4-6 July 2003. Presented paper, 'Invasion of Iraq: Impact and Interests'.

Member of the Panel of Experts on 'Pax-Americana' at 'War and Peace Symposium', University of Art, Design and Media Technology, Karlsruhe, Germany, 3 December 2002, chaired by Professor Peter Sloterdijk. Presented paper 'The Functional Role of International Terrorism in World Order Under U.S. Hegemony'.

Participated in Conference 'We Are Still Bombing Afghanistan' at Keynes Hall, Kings College, University of Cambridge, 31 January 2002. Presented paper 'The War on Afghanistan as a Function of Energy Security'.

UK delegate to international NGO conference, 'Asia Forum for Peace Initiatives in Afghanistan', Bangkok, Thailand (November 2001). Presented paper 'Imperial Geopolitics and the Bombing of Afghanistan'. Lecture tour on U.S. foreign policy at Malaysian academic and policy institutions, sponsored by Third World Network (<http://www.twinside.org.sg>), Friends of the Earth Malaysia (<http://www.surforever.com/sam>), Institute for Policy Research (IKD), Malay College Old Boys Association (<http://www.mcoba.org.my>) and various Universities (November 2001).

NGO delegate on behalf of the London-based Islamic Human Rights Commission ([www.ihrc.org.uk](http://www.ihrc.org.uk)) and the New York-based Neturei Karta (<http://www.nkusa.org>) to United Nations World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance (Durban, South Africa, 31<sup>st</sup> August-7<sup>th</sup> September 2001). Presented paper 'Apartheid in the Holy Land: Racism in the Zionist State of Israel' at United Nations NGO Forum.

## Personal

Date of Birth: 3/11/78  
Nationality: British  
Gender: Male  
Interests: Guitar, poetry, reading, cinema  
Sports: Football, swimming, cycling, running, weight-lifting  
Travel: USA, Europe, Asia  
Driving: Full clean driving licence  
Status: Married, two children.  
Languages: Conversational Bangladeshi; basic French

## Referees

Name: Dr Benno Teschke  
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