THE BRITISH INTERNATIONAL HISTORY GROUP (Under the Auspices of BISA)

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

UNIVERSITY OF GREENWICH

7-9 September 2006



The Group

The British International History Group is organised under the auspices of the British International Studies Association (BISA). The Association acts as a professional body for teachers, researchers and practitioners interested in the area of International Studies, including International History. The Annual Conference of the British International History Group brings together International Historians from a variety of backgrounds and offers them the opportunity to exchange views.

The Conference

The main work of the conference takes place in panels. There will also be two keynote lectures on the first and second evenings and a plenary session on Friday afternoon. The Annual General Meeting will be held during the conference.

Programme

Keynote Lecture - Thursday 7 September - 18.45-19.45

Britain and the Levant: Victorian Visions (John Charmley)

First Panel Session - Friday 8 September - 9.15-10.45

Panel A

Saving the Sultan: Britain and the Levant, 1830-1880 (John Charmley)

When is a Treaty not a Treaty? Britain and the Low Countries, 1866-1871 (Geoff Hicks)

Managing the Anglo-Russian Antagonism: The Khiva Convention and Anglo-Russian Relations in the 1870s (Thomas Otte)

Panel B

Sunk before we Started: Britain and the Geneva Naval Conference, 1927 (Carolyn Kitching)

The fewer arms these primitive communities possess the better for all concerned: Britain, disarmament and the control of the international arms trade in the 1920s (Edward Packard)

Disarmament and Peace Movements in British and US Feature Films of the Inter-War Years (David Dunn)

Panel C

Great Britain, Poland and the Czechoslovak Crisis of 1938 (Lutz Oberdörfer)

The British Left and the Winter War, 1939-1940 (John McLean)

The Eden-Dill Mission and the Fall of Greece, February-April 1941 (Steven Morewood)

Panel D

American Commitment towards Korea, 1900-1950 (Seung Young Kim)

Leo Pasvolsky and the Creation of the Postwar World (David Woolner)

Cuba 1962: The Risk of Inadvertent Nuclear War (Len Scott)

Second Panel Session - Friday 8 September - 11.15-12.45

Panel A

Britain, the Dominions and the Problem of Japanese Immigration, 1894-1921 (Antony Best)

Pride and Prejudice: The American-Japanese Immigration Row and its Consequences (Tosh Minohara)

The Yellow Peril and the Russo-Japanese War, 1904-1905 (Saho Matsumoto Best)

Panel B

The MfS' Defeat of the BND, 1961-1989 (Paul Maddrell)

British Policy towards the Baltic States in the 1970s (Craig Gerrard)

Was Politics the Issue? Harold Wilson and the EEC Renegotiations, 1974-1975 (Chris Goldsmith)

Panel C

Lend-Lease and the Battle for Moscow, November-December 1941 (Alexander Hill)

Zhukov's Greatest Myth: the Origins of Operation Uranus (Geoffrey Roberts)

Why the Red Army didn't capture Berlin in February 1945: Stalin, Zhukov and the Soviet High Command (Evan Mawdsley)

Panel D

Sir George Clerk's Mission to Hungary, 1919 (Gerry Protheroe)

Turning a Blind Eye and the Other Cheek: Isolationist and Pacifist Alternatives to Appearement in the Era of the Chamberlain Government, 1936-1939 (Andrew Stedman)

Oleaginous Diplomacy: Anglo-American Relations and Oil at the Interwar International Conferences (Fiona Venn)

Third Panel Plenary Session - Friday 8 September - 14.00-16.00

The Rhineland Crisis: Seventy Years After (Michael Dockrill)

Keynote Lecture - Friday 8 September - 18.45-19.45

Lyndon Johnson and the Politics of Vietnam (Fredrik Logevall)

Fourth Panel Session - Saturday 9 September - 9.15-10.45

Panel A

The Hinge Period in Anglo-American-German Relations, 1895-1907 (Magnus Brechtken) The Anglo-Russian Naval Talks in 1914 (William Mulligan)

Anglo-French Collaboration in the Preparation of the Blue and Yellow Books on the War Crisis of 1914 (Keith Hamilton)

Panel B

Intelligence and Blockade: Targetting Britain's War Winning Strategy, 1914-1917 (*Greg Kennedy*) France and the Imperial Russian Armament Industry, 1914-1917 (*David Watson*)

Panel C

Egging Each Other On: The Quest for Total War, 1890-1914 (Beatrice Heuser)

Denying the Past, Ignoring the Present, Shaping the Future: German Military Thinkers and Planners in

the 1920s (Gil-li Vardi)

Operationalising Surprise: The Abwehr and the German State, 1918-1941 (Robyn Hall)

Panel D

The Suez Crisis and British Withdrawal from Jordan, 1955-1957 (Nigel Ashton)

You will no doubt like to hear that Aunt Caroline survived the operation: The Impact of the Suez Crisis on the British Ambassador to France (Sean Greenwood)

Fifth Panel Session - Saturday 9 September - 11.15-12.45

Panel A

A Whole Planet to Themselves: Lord Derby, New Guinea and the Australians (*Lloyd Mitchell*) William Ewart Gladstone and the Bulgarian Atrocities, 1876 (*Michael Partridge*)

Panel B

The POW Shackling Crisis and Anglo-German Relations, 1942-1943 (Neville Wylie) British Intelligence and Admiral Wilhelm Canaris: A Reappraisal (Paul Winter) Desmond Morton and Some Intelligence Myths, 1919-1945 (Gill Bennett)

Timetable

Thursday, 7 September

1500 onwards - Arrival at Greenwich, report to Queen Anne Court.1800 Wine Reception1845 Keynote Lecture2000 Dinner

Friday, 8 September

 0800-0900 Breakfast
 1400-1600 Plenary Session

 0915-1045 First Panel Session
 1600-1630 Tea

 1045-1115 Coffee
 1630-1730 BIHG AGM

 1115-1245 Second Panel Session
 1845 Keynote Lecture

 1245-1345 Lunch
 2000 Conference Dinner

Saturday, 9 September

0800-0900 Breakfast 1045-1115 Coffee 0915-1045 Fourth Panel Session 1115-1245 Fifth Panel Session

General Information

Accommodation and Sessions

The conference will be held at the University of Greenwich. Accommodation is available which is all en suite. Sessions will be held entirely on the campus of the Old Naval College where lunch, refreshments and dinner will also be served. Details of location will be sent out with a receipt of conference bookings.

University of Greenwich

Parking in Greenwich is very difficult and delegates are advised where possible to use public transport. Car parking is extremely limited on the Greenwich campus. What few spaces are available will be allocated on a first come, first served basis in terms of the receipt of booking forms. The Greenwich campus is about 10-12 minutes walk from Greenwich mainline station (from Charing Cross), and about 3-4 minutes walk from Cutty Sark station on the Docklands Light Railway

Registration

Registration will take place at Reception from 1500 to 1800 on 7 September. Delegates will receive full documentation on registration.

Book Exhibition

There will be a book exhibition arranged by publishers.

Conference Fees and Charges

Fees and charges will be: Conference Fee; Full Conference Accommodation (exclusive of fee) or Individual Requirements (exclusive of fee), see booking form.

Please indicate your requirements on the booking form and return with your cheque to: Professor Glyn Stone, BIHG Secretary, School of History, University of the West of England Bristol, St Matthias Campus, Fishponds, Bristol BS16 2JP.

Please make your cheque, including fee, payable to: British International History Group