ESCAPE FROM THE HOLOCAUST?

The Fate of Jews in Finland and other Scandinavian Countries

JUNE 17, 2008
09:00am–09:15am  
**WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**

WALTER REICH, Senior Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center, Yitzhak Rabin Memorial Professor of International Affairs, Ethics and Human Behavior, George Washington University; former director, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

LESLIE D. SIMON, member of the Board of Governors of the American Jewish Committee and former Senior Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Center

09:15am–10:00am  
**KEYNOTE**

AMBASSADOR JAMES E. GOODBY, The Brookings Institution/Hoover Institution

10:00am–10:30am  
**COFFEE BREAK**

10:30am–12:30pm  
**PANEL 1: THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES AND THE HOLOCAUST**

CHAIR BY WALTER REICH, Senior Scholar, Woodrow Wilson Center

“Scandinavian Countries: on the Sidelines of the Holocaust?”
Professor HENRIK MEINANDER, University of Helsinki

“The Fate of the Jews in the Other Scandinavian Countries: Sweden, Denmark, Norway”
Professor Emeritus SUNE PERSSON, University of Gothenburg

STEVEN F. SAGE, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

COMMENTATOR: MEREDITH HINDLEY, Adjunct Professor, American University

12:30pm–02:00pm  
**LUNCH BREAK**

02:00pm–04:00pm  
**PANEL 2: FINLAND AND THE HOLOCAUST**

CHAIR BY SAMUEL F. WELLS, Associate Director, Woodrow Wilson Center

“Why did Finland Escape from the Holocaust?”
Assoc. Professor HANNU RAUTKALLIO, University of Tampere

“The Position of the Jews of Finland in the War of 1939-1944”
RONY SMOLAR, Chairman, The Helsinki Jewish Congregation

“Deportations and the Exchange of Jewish POW’s with Germany”
JUSSI NUORTEVA, Director General, National Archives of Finland

COMMENTATOR: CARL MODIG, Program Coordinator, International Archival Programs Division, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

4:00pm–5:00pm  
**CLOSING ADDRESS**

CHAIR BY MICHAEL HALTZEL, Senior Fellow, Center for Transatlantic Relations, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University

“The Position of Finland Before, During and After World War Two”
AMBASSADOR MAX JAKOBSON (ret.)

05:00pm–07:00pm  
**DINNER RECEPTION** (open to all attendees)

Woodrow Wilson Center Dining Hall

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