Zbigniew Brzezinski Will Give Public Talk at Yale


His talk, titled "A Historically Relevant Foreign Policy," will be held at 4 p.m. in Luce Hall, 34 Hillhouse Avenue. Sponsored by the MacMillan Center and the Center for the Study of Globalization, it is free and open to the public.

Brzezinski is counselor and trustee of the Center of Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) and co-chairs its advisory board. He is also the Robert E. Osgood Professor of American Foreign Policy at the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, in Washington, D.C. He was a member of the Policy Planning Council of the Department of State from 1966 to 1968; chair of the Humphrey Foreign Policy Task Force in the 1968 presidential campaign; director of the Trilateral Commission from 1973 to 1976; and principal foreign policy adviser to Jimmy Carter in the 1976 presidential campaign.

He was national security adviser to Carter from 1977 to 1981. In 1981 he was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his role in the normalization of U.S.-China relations and for his contributions to the human rights and national security policies of the United States.

He was also a member of the President's Chemical Warfare Commission (1985), the National Security Council Defense Department Commission on Integrated Long-Term Strategy (1987-1988), and the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (1987-1989). In 1988, he was co-chair of the Bush National Security Advisory Task Force, and in 2004, he co-chaired a Council on Foreign Relations task force that issued the report "Iran: Time for a New Approach."


George Herbert Walker III, formerly the U.S. ambassador to Hungary, established this lecture series in 1986 in memory of his father, a graduate of the Yale Class of 1927. Previous George Herbert Walker, Jr. Lecturers in International Studies have included Jesus Silva-Herzog, David Lange, Bruce Gelb, Paul Wolfowitz, Edward Jaycox, George Schultz, Boutros Boutros-Ghali,

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