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Terrorism, Security and The Culture of Fear

by

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All are welcome

Terrorism as an act of political expression is not a new phenomenon; it has existed for centuries under a variety of names and definitions. Joseph Campos interrogates U.S. foreign policy on terrorism in terms of historical continuities and breaks that reveal more than a simple embodiment of a nation's will to fight an already fully given hazard. Whatever real and imagined challenges terrorism may pose to the United States, it has given rise to a field of policies historically instrumental for the American Statecraft. Terrorism is appropriated by national security discourse, producing practices and policies that rely on fear to sustain state authority. Joseph Campos is an affiliate faculty of the Spark M. Matsunaga Institute for Peace and the Department of Political Science at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and the author of *The State and Terrorism: National Security and the Mobilization of Power* (Ashgate 2007).