

Tuesday, May 11th, 2010 at 7:00 PM Hagop Kevorkian Center for Near Eastern Studies New York University 50 Washington Square South (at 255 Sullivan Street) New York, NY 10012

FEATURING: JOY GORDON

Professor of philosophy at Fairfield University, PhD Yale University, JD Boston University School of Law. Dr. Gordon has published extensively on issues of international relations and international law, particularly in the area of economic sanctions. Her most recent work Invisible War: The United States and Iraq Sanctions was published by the Harvard University Press.

TRITA PARSI

Founder and president of the National Iranian American Council and an expert on US-Iranian relations, Iranian politics, and the balance of power in the Middle East. Dr. Parsi is the author of Treacherous Alliance: The Secret Dealings of Iran, Israel and the United States. On February 25, 2010, he testified before Congress on the Human Rights situation in Iran.

ROANE CAREY

Serving as moderator for this event, he is managing editor of The Nation magazine. He is the editor of two books on the Middle East conflict, The New Intifada (Verso, 2001) and The Other Israel (New Press, 2002).

As the Obama administration debates imposing new "targeted sanctions" on Iran, many question the effectiveness of sanctions to pressure regimes, while raising ethical and humanitarian concerns about the impact of sanctions on social movements as well as everyday people. In this program, two distinguished speakers will explore diverse views on the issue, using lessons learned from Iraq, Cuba, and South Africa as well as the current state of Iran today. We hope for the audience to come to their own understanding of the debate and to take an informed stand towards the policy of sanctioning Iran.