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Goal! Soccer for a Better Future

FIFA World Cup. The film tells the story of how six NGOs use the spirit of athletics to engage and empower disadvantaged youth in Brazil, South Africa and the United States. The film examines athletes challenges in their communities and explores the game of soccer as an effective tool in life skills training. Thematic segments include respect, tolerance, diversity, gender equality, teamwork and opportunity.



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Consulate General Celebrates Independence Day

القنصلية العامة تحتفل بعيد الاستقلال

Consulate General Marine Security Guard Detachment presents the colors at Independence Day celebration.

[Remarks by Consul General Daniel Rubinstein at the Consulate's Independence Day Reception](#)

أعضاء وحدة الحراسة الأمنية من مشاة البحرية الأمريكية في القنصلية العامة يعرضون الألوان في احتفالات عيد الاستقلال.

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[President Obama's Independence Day Message](#)

Obama: "Our Founders' tenacity, resolve, and courage...has become the foundation of the American dream."



[Secretary Clinton's Independence Day Message](#)

U.S. is revitalizing old alliances and forming new partnerships based on mutual respect and mutual interest.

[رسالة كلينتون بمناسبة يوم الاستقلال](#)

تعمل الولايات المتحدة على إحياء التحالفات القديمة وبناء شراكات جديدة تقوم على الاحترام المتبادل والمصالح المشتركة

"Civil Society: Supporting Democracy in the 21st Century," at the Community of Democracies

SECRETARY CLINTON: Well, I am delighted to be here with all of you. And I thank my friend, Foreign Minister Sikorski, for hosting us here in this absolutely magnificent setting, and for an excellent speech that so well summarized what the agenda for all of us who are members of the Community of Democracies should be.

The idea of bringing together free nations to strengthen democratic norms and institutions began as a joint venture between one of Radek's predecessors and one of mine: Minister Geremek and Madeleine Albright. And they were visionaries 10 years ago. And it was initially a joint American-Polish enterprise. And I cannot think of a better place for us to mark this occasion than right here in Krakow. Thank you, Madeleine, and thanks to the memory of Minister Geremek.

(Applause.)

SECRETARY CLINTON: I think you heard from Foreign Minister Sikorski some of the reasons why Poland is an example of what democracies can accomplish. After four decades of privation, stagnation, and fear under Communism, freedom dawned. And it was not only the personal freedoms that people were once again able to claim for their own, but Poland's per capita GDP today is nine times what it was in 1990. And in the middle of a deep, global recession, the Polish economy has continued to expand.

By any measure, Poland is stronger politically, as well. We all mourned with Poland in April when a plane crash claimed the lives of Poland's president, the first lady, and many other national officials. It was one of the greatest single losses of leadership suffered by any country in modern history. But it is a tribute to Poland's political evolution that, in the aftermath of that accident, the country's institutions never faltered. And tomorrow polls will move forward with selecting a president through free and fair elections. [Read all...](#)

الوزيرة كلينتون تبرز أهمية المجتمع المدني للديمقراطية

الوزيرة كلينتون: حسناً، يسعدني جداً أن أكون هنا معكم جميعاً وأشكر صديقي وزير الخارجية سيكورسكي، على استضافته لنا هنا في هذا المكان الرائع جداً، وعلى خطابه الممتاز الذي لخص ما هي الأجندة التي يجب ان تكون لدينا جميعاً نحن الأعضاء في مجتمع الديمقراطيات.

لقد بدأت فكرة جمع الدول الحرة معا لتعزيز المعايير والمؤسسات الديمقراطية كمشروع مشترك بين أحد أسلاف راديك وأحد أسلافي وهما: وزير الخارجية جيريميك ووزيرة الخارجية مادلين أولبرايت. وكانت لديهما رؤية قبل عشر سنوات. لقد كانت هذه الفكرة مبدئياً مشروعاً أميركياً-بولندياً. ولا أستطيع أن أفكر بمكان لنا للاحتفال بهذه المناسبة افضل من هذا المكان هنا في كراكوف. فشكراً لك، مادلين، وشكراً لذكرى الراحل الوزير جيريميك. (تصفيق)

الوزيرة كلينتون: اعتقد أنكم سمعتم من وزير الخارجية سيكورسكي بعض الأسباب التي جعلت من بولندا نموذجاً يحتذى به لما تستطيع الديمقراطيات ان تحققه. فبعد أربعة عقود من الحرمان، والركود الاقتصادي، ومن الخوف في ظل النظام الشيوعي بزغ فجر الحرية. ولم تكن الحريات الشخصية التي أصبح الناس قادرين من جديد على المطالبة بها كملك لهم فحسب بل وأيضاً أصبح اليوم الناتج المحلي الإجمالي تسعة أضعاف ما كان عليه عام 1990، واستمر الاقتصاد البولندي في النمو في خضم ركود اقتصادي عالمي عميق.

وبموجب أي مقياس، أصبحت بولندا أقوى سياسياً أيضاً. وقد فُجعنا جميعاً في نيسان/أبريل عندما أودى تحطم طائرة مدنية بحياة رئيس بولندا والسيدة الأولى والعديد من المسؤولين الآخرين في البلاد أيضاً. كان هذا الحادث واحداً من أفدح الخسائر الفردية على مستوى الزعامة، التي أصابت أي بلد في التاريخ الحديث. ولكن تقديراً للتطور السياسي لبولندا فإن مؤسسات البلد لم تتعثر أبداً في أعقاب ذلك الحادث. وسوف تمضي قدماً غداً عملية التصويت لاختيار رئيس من خلال انتخابات حرة ونزيهة. [اقرأ المزيد...](#)



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What is MEPI?

The [Middle East Partnership Initiative \(MEPI\)](#), located within the Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs at the U.S. Department of State, supports efforts to expand political participation, strengthen civil society and the rule of law, empower women and youth, create educational opportunities, and foster economic reform throughout the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). Through timely, responsive and innovative approaches, MEPI projects provide critical assistance to local reformers using three primary programming mechanisms:

- [Education and Exchange Programs](#)
- [MEPI Local Grants](#)
- [Washington Awards](#)

In addition to its main office in Washington, DC, MEPI maintains two regional offices in Tunis and Abu Dhabi. The [MEPI Regional Office \(RO\) in Tunis](#) administers more than \$2 million in programming each year across North Africa and the Levant, including the Palestinian Territories. Programs consist of conferences, exchange programs, and funding opportunities such as the Local Grants Program and Civil Society Grants.

MEPI Coordinators are located in U.S. Embassies and Consulates across the region. The MEPI Coordinator in the U.S. Consulate General Jerusalem provides oversight of all MEPI programming in the Palestinian Territories and serves as the local point of contact for MEPI award recipients. For further information regarding specific MEPI awards in the Palestinian Territories please email, MEPIJerusalem@state.gov.



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The Public Affairs Office of the U.S. Consulate General, Jerusalem Announces the AY 2011 - 2012 Hubert Humphrey Fellowship Program

The Public Affairs Office of the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem announces the AY 2011- 2012 Hubert Humphrey Fellowship. This program provides mid-career Palestinians residing in the West Bank, East Jerusalem and Gaza with an opportunity to enhance their professional capabilities through participation in a specialized year of graduate level, non-degree academic course work and professional development activities at selected U. S. universities. The program brings together professionals in leadership positions who have a commitment to public service and the potential for professional advancement. Programs are individually designed to include course work, independent projects, internships, consultations with U.S. experts, and special seminars. To learn more, please visit www.humphreyfellowship.org. The Humphrey program addresses broad policy-making and problem-solving issues, rather than technical aspects.

- Agricultural development/agricultural economics
- Communications/Journalism
- Substance Abuse Education, Treatment and Prevention
- Economic development and Finance/banking
- Education Administration, Planning and Policy
- HIV/AIDS Policy and Prevention
- Teaching English as a Second Language (Teacher Training or Curriculum Development)
- Human resource management
- Law and Human Rights
- Natural Resources/Environmental Policy/Climate Change
- Public Health Policy and Management
- Public policy analysis and administration
- Technology Policy and Management
- Trafficking in Persons, Policy and Prevention
- Urban and Regional planning

In addition to the pre-academic language training, the Humphrey program also offers a Long Term English Language Training (LTE) for an intensive of 20 to 25 weeks for candidates with a range of 440 – 500 TOEFL score. The LTE candidates begin their study program in the United States between January and March 2011 in preparation for the 2011-2012 academic year. [For more Information.](#)



The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem Announces The AY 2011 Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is pleased to announce the Academic Year 2011 competition for the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) program. The Fulbright FLTA program is an integral part of the Fulbright student program. The nine month, non-degree program will host around 125 Arabic FLTAs from Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, the Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

The FLTA program, funded by the State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), is aimed at strengthening foreign language instruction at U.S. colleges and universities, and some high schools, while providing future foreign teachers of English with the opportunity to refine their skills, increase their English language proficiency and extend their knowledge of U.S. society and culture. [More Information.](#)

Also Check: [Fulbright Foreign Student Scholarship Program](#)

Selected E-Docs:

- [FOREIGN MEDICAL SCHOOLS: EDUCATION SHOULD IMPROVE MONITORING OF SCHOOLS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM. U.S. Government Accountability Office. June 28, 2010.](#)

Each year, the federal government makes a significant financial investment in the education and training of the U.S. physician workforce. A quarter of that physician workforce is composed of international medical graduates (IMG) and they include both U.S. citizens and foreign nationals.

- [SAVE THE WHALE SAVE THE SOUTHERN OCEAN. World Wildlife Fund. June 21, 2010.](#)

According to the report, the Southern Ocean is critical to ensuring the recovery and viability of the great whale populations in the southern hemisphere. It provides the feeding grounds needed to sustain most southern hemisphere great whales, which coastal communities from Australia to Latin America to Africa are reliant upon for livelihoods and income derived from whale watching tourism.

- [ADULTS AND CELL PHONE DISTRACTIONS. Pew Internet & American Life Project. Mary Madden. June 18, 2010.](#)

Adults are just as likely as teens to have texted while driving and are substantially more likely to have talked on the phone while driving, according to the survey.

- [THE ONLINE LEARNING IMPERATIVE: A SOLUTION TO THREE LOOMING CRISES IN EDUCATION. Alliance for Excellent Education. Bob Wise and Robert Rothman. June 2010.](#)

Currently, K–12 education in the U.S. is dealing with three major crises, each of which on its own is capable of wreaking havoc on schools and communities around the nation, but together are an all-out perfect storm. Simultaneously, the U.S. education system is facing a growing workforce whose mounting needs for education and training will not be met by the nation’s current public education system; declining state fiscal revenues; and mounting teacher shortages, further crippling low-performing secondary schools. The time for merely rethinking and upgrading the role of technology in education has passed, according to the report. Technology can no longer be thought of simply as an “add-on” tool in education, but rather an integral part of the total educational environment.

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