

FOCUS ON NATO SUMMIT

NATO Summit: Fears for the Future

By Robin Shepherd

NATO stands at the brink. Some see it consolidating success in delivering peace in Europe. Others point to Afghanistan as a campaign too far that could even break the alliance. There is much to occupy minds as leaders prepare to meet in Bucharest...

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NATO and European Energy Security

By Ida Garibaldi

The next North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) summit will take place in Bucharest, Romania, on April 2-4. Noticeably absent from the conference's full agenda is a discussion of Europe's growing dependence on foreign energy suppliers, especially Russia. The European Union (EU) now imports nearly 60 percent of its natural gas and more than 80 percent of its oil, and Russia is a significant supplier...

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Does Bush Know Something We Don't?

By Dan Froomkin

President Bush is ratcheting up expectations for his European trip, aggressively calling for continued expansion of NATO into the former Soviet Union and saying he is hopeful that a deal with Russian President Vladimir Putin on establishing a missile defense shield in Eastern Europe could be nailed down by Sunday...

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Alliance Invites In Croatia, Albania Bush Is Rebuffed In Bid for Support Of Ex-Soviet States

By Peter Baker

NATO's political leaders agreed Wednesday night to admit Croatia and Albania into the military alliance, but after a vigorous debate they effectively rejected President Bush's bid to put two former Soviet republics on the path to membership...

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The National Security Strategy of the United Kingdom

How Radical Can Britain Be?

By Dr Paul Cornish

The publication before Easter of the long-awaited National Security Strategy of the United Kingdom (NSS) brought to an end months of speculation as to the reasons behind the delay (the Prime Minister announced the initiative in July 2007, with a view to publishing a strategy document a few months later in the autumn), the likely content of the paper, and indeed whether the initiative was simply too ambitious...

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Will Europe Resist Islamization?

By Daniel Pipes

Some analysts of Islam in Western Europe argue that the continent cannot escape its Eurabian fate; that the trend lines of the past half-century will continue until Mus-

lims become a majority population and
Islamic law (the Shari'a) reigns...

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Freedom to Choose

By Ed Iverson

Nothing is more dearly prized by American progressives than choice. The right to choose has been elevated by the left to the status of a sacrament...

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