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OPENING

Rinaldo VERI

Vice Admiral Rinaldo Veri is President of the Center for Advanced Defense Studies, the National Defense University based in Rome. Former Chief of Staff of the Italian Joint Operations Headquarters, as a Commander of the NATO Allied Joint Force Command Naples, V. Adm. Veri led the NATO Maritime Forces in the Operation "Unified Protector" in Libya.

FIRST SESSION

Michael FRENDO

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malta (2004-2008) and Speaker (President) Emeritus of the Parliament of Malta (2010-2013), H.E. Michael Frendo K.O.M. is currently a member of the European Commission for Democracy through Law (also known as the Venice Commission) of the Council of Europe. He formed part of a Venice Commission mission to Libya in 2014 relating to the formulation of a new Constitution for Libya.

Abdul Ilah KHATIB

H.E. Abdul Ilah Khatib is former UN Special Envoy to Libya and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. Member of the Senate, he coordinated Jordan's engagement in the peace process after the Madrid Conference.

Mohammad Yusuf DAHLAN

Former Minister of State of Internal Security and National Security Advisor of the Palestinian National Authority, H.E. Mohammad Yusuf Dahlan is an internationally recognized expert in the field of counter-terrorism and deradicalization. He is a Member of the Palestinian Legislative Council and the Fatah Central Committee, and was also part of the Palestinian negotiating team in the peace process after the signing of the Oslo Accords.

Abdelaziz KOTTI

Hon. Abdelaziz Kotti is a Tunisian political figure. Deputy in the Assembly of People's Representatives, he was previously elected in the National Constituent Assembly. He is a member of the Executive Bureau of Nidaa Tounes, the main party in Tunisia.

Noman BENOTMAN

Noman Benotman is President of the Quilliam Foundation. He leads Quilliam's work on de-radicalization processes in the UK and abroad, coordinating the outreach to current and former jihadists and extremists. Former militant, he distanced himself from Islamism and played a key role in the disbanding the Libyan Islamic Fighting Group, a radical formation of which he had been a member. He is well known as one of the most public critics of al-Qaeda, appearing widely on international media as well as taking part in a range of international conferences.

SECOND SESSION**Fabrizio W. LUCIOLLI**

President of the Italian Atlantic Committee and the Atlantic Treaty Association, Fabrizio W. Luciulli is Professor of International Security Organizations, Military Policy, and National Security Policy at the Center for High Defense Studies of the Italian Ministry of Defense. Coordinator of Training Courses for military officers and diplomats in the Western Balkans and Middle East, he is Director and promoter of NATO and EU cooperation projects in Central and Southeastern Europe.

Benedetto DELLA VEDOVA

Sen. Della Vedova is Undersecretary of State at Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. Former Member of the EU Parliament and the Italian Chamber of Deputies, he was Councillor in the National Council for Economy and Work.

Fabrizio CICCHITTO

President of the Foreign and Community Affairs Commission, Italian Chamber of Deputies, Hon. Fabrizio Cicchitto was a Member of the Parliamentary Committee for the Intelligence and Security Services and for State Secret Control. He was also a Member of the Budget Commission in the Italian Chamber of Deputies and of the Industry Commission in the Senate. Hon. Cicchitto is President of the Reformism and Freedom Foundation.

Paolo ALLI

Hon. Alli is Vice President of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly. In this capacity he is also Vice President of the Special Group on the Mediterranean and the Middle East. He is a Member of the Commission for Foreign and Community Affairs, Italian Chamber of Deputies.

Andrea MANCIULLI

Hon. Andrea Manciuilli is President of the Italian Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly (NPA). He is in charge of drafting the NPA report on "The Role of Gulf Countries in the crisis in the Mediterranean and in the fight against international terrorism". Hon. Andrea Manciuilli also serves as Vice President of the Commission for Foreign and Community Affairs, Italian Chamber of Deputies, and is President of the Italian-French Parliamentary Association.

Mohammed EL ORABI

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Egypt, Amb. El Orabi also served as Chief of the Cabinet of the Foreign Minister and Assistant Foreign Minister for Economic Affairs. As a career diplomat he was Ambassador to Germany, Deputy Chief of mission in Israel and the United States, and served in other relevant countries in the Middle East and Europe.

Mustafa ALI RUGIBANI

Chargé d'Affaires at the Embassy of Libya to the Holy See, Min. Plen. Rugibani served as Minister of Labor in the first government of the post-Qaddafi era as an independent figure. He was also a Member of the Libyan National Transitional Council. During his exile from Libya, he sojourned in France, Lebanon, the United Arab Emirates and Jordan.