

Robert Spencer

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Spencer has operated Jihad Watch, which is dedicated to tracking jihad activity and elucidating its motivating ideology, since October 2003. Before that, he consulted privately with several organizations and individuals regarding Islam and the jihad threat in the 1990s. He published his first book on that topic, *Islam Unveiled: Disturbing Questions About the World's Fastest Growing Faith*, in October 2002.

Spencer has led seminars on Islam and jihad for the FBI, the United States Central Command, United States Army Command and General Staff College, the U.S. Army's Asymmetric Warfare Group, the Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF), the Justice Department's Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council and the U.S. intelligence community. He has discussed jihad, Islam, and terrorism at a workshop sponsored by the U.S. State Department and the German Foreign Ministry. He is a senior fellow with the Center for Security Policy and the Institute for the American Future.

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Spencer has appeared frequently on the BBC, ABC News, CNN, Fox News, and numerous other networks. He has been a featured speaker at numerous universities, including UCLA, Stanford University, NYU, the University of California-Irvine, Temple University, Dartmouth College, Penn State University, Brown University, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the University of Virginia, and many others. He has an MA in Religious Studies from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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