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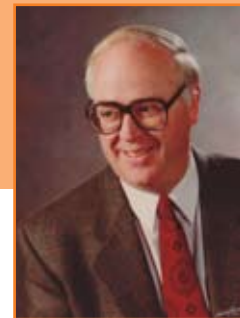


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AFGHANISTAN'S ELECTIONS: CAN STRAW BE SPUN INTO GOLD?

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Lecture Theatre 1, Hedley Bull Centre, Garran Rd, ANU

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Afghanistan's presidential election on 20 August has triggered a storm of complaints, and widespread apprehension on the part of international commentators. Yet the question of how to move forward constructively is on the desk of foreign ministries in many major capitals. In this lecture Professor Maley, who was an accredited international observer for the election, offers an account of the forces that have brought Afghanistan to this pass, and some suggestions about what might be required to avoid disaster in both the short and medium terms.

Professor William Maley assumed the position of Foundation Director of the Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy on 1 July 2003. He taught for many years in the School of Politics, University College, University of New South Wales, Australian Defence Force Academy, and has served as a Visiting Professor at the Russian Diplomatic Academy, a Visiting Fellow at the Centre for the Study of Public Policy at the University of Strathclyde, and a Visiting Research Fellow in the Refugee Studies Programme at Oxford University. He is also a Barrister of the High Court of Australia, a member of the Executive Committee of the Refugee Council of Australia, and a member of the Australian Committee of the Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific. In 2002, he was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM).

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