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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Theory: International Relations Theory; Critical International Theory; Critical Security Studies; War Studies; Historical Sociology.

Practice: Collective Violence (esp. Modern Warfare); Arms Control, Nonproliferation and Disarmament; Laws of War; Corporate Irresponsibility; Harm Conventions.

Methods: Case Studies; Thought Experiments (esp. Abstraction, Counterfactual History, Scenario Generation); Aesthetics and Pop Culture (esp. Art, Film, Literature; Football).

PRESENT POSITIONS

2011- **Doctoral Researcher**
School of Political Science and International Studies, University of Queensland

2011- **Blogger/Columnist**
Al Jazeera English

QUALIFICATIONS

2007 **Master of International Studies** (H1, 86)
Thesis title: Football hooliganism and war: Nationalism and masculinity as boundaries in collective violence
Department of Government and International Studies, University of Sydney

2002 **Bachelor of Economics in Economic History**
Department of Economic History, University of Sydney

GRANTS AND HONOURS

2011 **Innovation Research Grant** (\$8,000 with Joseph Camilleri and Michael Hamel-Green)
Institute for Human Security, La Trobe University

2011-14 **Australian Postgraduate Award** (\$22,860 p.a. 2011 rate)
Australian Commonwealth Government

2011 **Establishment Grant** (\$5,000)
Graduate School, University of Queensland

2010 **Research Grant** (\$6,975)
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, La Trobe University

2010 **Finalist, McElvany Article Prize**
Nonproliferation Review

2010 **Finalist, Routledge Article Prize**
Global Change, Peace & Security

2007 **Inaugural Research Award** (n/a)
Australian Sustainability Awards

1998-02 **Sports Scholarship (Football)** (\$5,000 p.a.)
University of Sydney

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2009-11	Casual Lecturer Faculty of Law and Management, La Trobe University
2007-11	Principal Taylor McKellar
2009-10	Research Officer Centre for Dialogue, La Trobe University
2009	Editorial Assistant <i>Global Change, Peace & Security</i>
2009	Tutor and Course Coordinator Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, La Trobe University
2004-07	Research Associate Capital Markets Research, Russell Investments
2002-04	Consultant Research, Product and Communications Division, BT Financial Group

JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Nero fiddling while Rome is burning: International policy discourse on a denuclearized Middle East', (in draft).
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'A tough challenge for scholars of the world game: Football hooliganism as collective violence', *Soccer and Society*, (accepted with minor revision, September 2011).
3. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Football hooliganism as collective violence: Explaining variance in Britain through interpersonal boundaries, 1863-1989', *International Journal of the History of Sport*, Vol.28 No.13, 2011, 1750-71.
4. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Reading and writing for the social sciences: How to interpret and marshal the literature, rather than be terrorized by it', *Romanian Journal for Multidimensional Education*, Vol.3 No.6, 2011, 17-22.
5. M. Scott Donald and N.A.J. Taylor, 'Does "sustainable" investing compromise the fiduciary duties owed by superannuation trustees?', *Australian Business Law Review*, Vol.36 Is.1, 2008, 47-61.

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. N.A.J. Taylor, 'A rather delicious paradox: Corporate responsibility and the manufacture of armaments', in Ralph Tench, William Sun and Brian Jones (eds.) *Corporate Social Irresponsibility: Issues, Debates and Case Studies*, Emerald, UK: West Hampshire, December 2012.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'High risk areas, resources and sustainability', in Cary Krosinsky, Nick Robins, Stephen Viederman (eds.) *Evolutions in Sustainable Investing: Strategies, Funds and Thought Leadership*, Wiley Publishers, US: New York, June 2012, 329-44.
3. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Coming into view: Environmental, social and governance sustainability for institutional investors', in John O'Brien (ed.) *Opportunities Beyond Carbon: Looking Forward to a Sustainable World*, Melbourne University Press, Australia: Melbourne, July 2009, 190-204.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

1. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Teaching social science as a language: From terroriser to gatekeeper of understanding'. Paper presented at the *Lumen International Scientific Conference*, Iasi,

- Romania, 19 February 2011.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Theatre of the absurd: US policy on weapons proliferation in the Middle East, 2007–2010'. Paper presented at the *School of Social Sciences Postgraduate Conference*, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia, 3 November 2010.
 3. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Prospects for a denuclearised Middle East'. Paper presented at the *Prospects for Peace in the Middle East*, Centre for Dialogue, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia, 9 July 2010.
 4. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Social responsibility and the manufacture of armaments'. Paper presented at the *School of Social Sciences Postgraduate Conference*, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia, 5 November 2009.
 5. Matthew Haigh and N.A.J. Taylor, 'The science of climate discourse'. Paper presented at the *Joint Actions on Climate Change Conference*, Aalborg, Denmark, 3 June 2009.

INVITED LECTURES

1. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Setting the context: Business and human rights in the Middle East'. Paper presented in capacity as invited speaker at the *Middle East and North Africa Roundtable*, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights, Cairo, Egypt, 8 December 2010.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Society is in the best interests of pension funds'. Paper presented in capacity as contributing author at the book launch of *Opportunities Beyond Carbon*, Environment Business Australia, Sydney, Australia, 17 July 2009.
3. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Superannuation's role in the economy of the future'. Paper presented in capacity as contributing author at the book launch of *Opportunities Beyond Carbon*, Investec Bank, Melbourne, Australia, 10 July 2009.

SEMINAR PAPERS

1. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Assessing the legal and ethical dimensions of the international arms trade'. Paper presented at the *Melbourne Forum on Doctoral Legal Research*, University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia, 19 February 2010.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Capabilities and budgets'. Session facilitator and contributor for *Global Security Jam*, NATO and the European Commission, London, England, 4-9 February 2010.

DISSERTATIONS

1. N.A.J. Taylor, *The practice of harm in modern warfare*. Doctoral dissertation at the School of Political Science and International Studies, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, (in draft, expected June 2014).
2. N.A.J. Taylor, *Football hooliganism and war: Nationalism and masculinity as boundaries in collective violence*. Thesis submitted in partial fulfilment of a Master of International Studies, Department of Government and International Relations, University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia, July 2008.

POLICY GUIDANCE AND SUBMISSIONS

1. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Re. Criminal Code Amendment (Cluster Munitions Prohibition) Bill 2010'. Submission to the *Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee*, 16 March 2011.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Re. Draft guiding principles for business & human rights'. Submission

- to the *United Nations Secretary-General's Special Representative for Business & Human Rights*, 24 December 2010.
3. N.A.J. Taylor and Robert McKellar, 'Operating responsibly in the Middle East and North Africa: Implementing the United Nations guidance on responsible business in conflict-affected and high-risk areas', *Taylor McKellar Practice Note*, October 2010
 4. N.A.J. Taylor, 'In sickness and in health: An ecological approach to Australia's health and wellbeing'. Submission to the *Australian Federal Government Preventative Health Taskforce*, 15 September 2008.
 5. N.A.J. Taylor and M. Scott Donald, 'Sustainable investment: Marrying sustainability concerns with the quest for financial returns for superannuation trustees', *Russell Investments Research*, August 2007.

SELECTED COMMENTARY (2011-PRESENT)

1. N.A.J. Taylor, Radio interview on Bahrain's use of tear gas and Iran's nuclear weapons intentions, *Radio Adelaide*, 8 May 2012.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Tear gas: Or, the state as atmo-terrorist', *Al Jazeera*, 5 May 2012.
3. N.A.J. Taylor, 'The flaws of Obama's arms control initiative', *Al Jazeera*, 26 March 2012.
4. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Iran is just the new Israel', *Al Jazeera*, 21 March 2012.
5. N.A.J. Taylor, 'The chronicles of Saddam: Robert Manne, *The Australian* and Iraq's WMD', *Al Jazeera*, 29 February 2012.
6. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Investment bankers in drag', *Al Jazeera*, 18 February 2012.
7. N.A.J. Taylor, 'The paradox of a "responsible" arms maker', *Al Jazeera*, 9 December 2011; 'Arms makers and the limits of responsibility (Part 2)', *Al Jazeera*, 12 December 2011; 'What's the harm of cluster munitions? (Part 3)', *Al Jazeera*, 16 December 2011.
8. N.A.J. Taylor, 'ALP National Conference: Where was the arms control debate over uranium exports to India?', *The Conversation*, 5 December 2011.
9. N.A.J. Taylor, 'What's the harm in selling uranium to India? (Part 1)', *Al Jazeera*, 25 November 2011; 'Want Australian uranium? Join the NPT (Part 2)', *Al Jazeera*, 29 November 2011; 'Nuclear India dupes Australian arms control (Postscript)', *Al Jazeera*, 7 December 2011; 'The Lowy Institute's bizarre rebuttal', *This Blog Harms - Crikey*, 12 December 2011.
10. N.A.J. Taylor, 'The chronicles of Saddam: Robert Manne, "The Australian", and Iraq's WMD', *This Blog Harms - Crikey*, 26 October 2011.
11. N.A.J. Taylor, 'US to stockpile cluster bombs in Australia?', *Al Jazeera*, 17 November 2011.
12. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Kim Jong-Il's nukes are good for nothing', *Al Jazeera*, 9 November 2011.
13. N.A.J. Taylor, 'A-League fans: don't label them football hooligans', *The Conversation*, 5 November 2011.
14. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Part 1: The blacklisting of Rio Tinto (Part 1)', *Al Jazeera*, 12 September 2011; 'Part 2: West Papua - A history of exploitation (Part 2)', *Al Jazeera*, 21 September 2011; 'Part 3: Mining companies funded Indonesian abuses (Part 3)', *Al Jazeera*, 3 October 2011; and 'Part 4: Norway's 'ethical divestment' from Rio Tinto (Part 4)', *Al Jazeera*, 19 October 2011.
15. N.A.J. Taylor, '9/11's private moment', *Al Jazeera*, 11 September 2011.
16. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Australia's cluster bomb conundrum', *The Conversation*, 6 September 2011.

Article revised and republished as: 'An Australian cluster f__k: taking aim at munitions laws', *Crikey*, 8 September 2011.

Article revised and republished as: 'Australia's cluster bomb conundrum', *Journal of Foreign Relations*, 11 September 2011.

17. N.A.J. Taylor, 'WikiLeaks' obvious truth', *Al Jazeera*, 5 September 2011.

18. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Rudd on the floor of the Van wagon', *On Line Opinion e-Journal*, 2 June 2011.

Article revised and republished as: 'Artists must not sully the principle of human rights', *International Policy Digest*, 6 August 2011.

19. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Australia reneging on cluster mine ban?', *Al Jazeera*, 6 April 2011.

Article revised and republished as: 'Canberra drags its feet over cluster bombs', *National Times*, 5 April 2011.\

20. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Gillard's about to bomb out where Rudd didn't', *Crikey*, 16 March 2011.

SELECTED BROADCAST INTERVIEWS (2011-PRESENT)

In addition, in recent months comment has been sought by the following broadcast media: *ABC Radio National*, *BBC World Service*, *Community Radio Network*, *Radio Adelaide*, *SBS World News Radio*, among others.

LITERARY ESSAYS AND BOOK REVIEWS

1. N.A.J. Taylor, Review of Andrew Linklater, *The Problem of Harm in World Politics: Theoretical Investigations* (Cambridge University Press, 2011). For *Australian Book Review*, No.342, June 2012.
2. N.A.J. Taylor, 'A response to Luca Lana's *Eclipse 1*', *This Blog Harms - Crikey*, 2 March 2012.
3. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Daughter of the Sea', *Mirage Magazine*, March 2012.
4. N.A.J. Taylor, 'Froese's wish', *Mirage Magazine*, March 2012.
5. N.A.J. Taylor, 'A response to Piers Greville's *Sublime Artifice*', *This Blog Harms - Crikey*, 3 November 2011.
6. N.A.J. Taylor, Review of Anna Stavrianakis, *Taking Aim at the Arms Trade: NGOs, Global Civil Society and the World Military Order* (Zed Books, 2010). For *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, Vol.40 No.1, 2011, 205-7.
7. N.A.J. Taylor, Review of Christopher Coker, *War in an Age of Risk* (Polity, 2009). For *Australian Journal of International Affairs*, Vol.65 No.3, 2011, 371-9.
8. N.A.J. Taylor, Review of Roland Bleiker, *Aesthetics and World Politics* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2009). For *Global Change, Peace and Security*, Vol.22 Is.3, Summer 2010, 391-5
9. N.A.J. Taylor, 'The grey matter', *The Big Issue - Australia*, June 2008.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2011- **The practice of harm in modern warfare**

This three-year doctoral study beginning in 2011 examines how domestic and international conceptualisations of harm affect decisions regarding what types of weapons states deploy when engaged in international conflict. Put simply, in addition to military-strategic imperatives, the manner in which weapons kill and injure, as well as their lasting effects, matters. Extending the constructivist finding that arms control, humanitarian and disarmament norms both constrain and constitute national security

interests, as well as the English School notion of an international society of states, I posit that the positive responsibilities and negative duties inherent in the practice of harm demand that weapons norm dynamics are sociologically determined both within and between states. The Middle East, having staged more than half of the world's conflicts since the Second World War, as well as involving both intra- and extra-regional belligerents with differing political, cultural and religious identities, is examined as the primary site of investigation between the period 1945 to 2010.

Principal investigator: N.A.J. Taylor [University of Queensland]. Funded by: Australian Federal Government and the University of Queensland. Total funding: \$82,500.

2011- **Track Two Dialogue in support of the UN-sponsored conference on the Middle East**

This collaborative two-year research project beginning in 2010 seeks to identify and examine the historical impediments to the formation of a nuclear weapon-free-zone in the Middle East since it was first seriously proposed in 1974, and later expanded to include biological and chemical weapons and their means of delivery in the 1980s. With formal negotiations due to begin in 2012, it is argued that a detailed understanding of the norm dynamics particular to the region – across states, regional and international institutions, and civil society – is critical if the difficulties posed by mutual mistrust, suspicion and diverging interests – particularly between Egypt, Iran and Israel – are to be circumvented. The first phase of the project will result in a co-authored academic article in an internationally-peer reviewed journal.

Co-investigators: Joseph A. Camilleri [La Trobe University], Michael Hamel-Green [Victoria University], Marianne Hanson [University of Queensland] and N.A.J. Taylor [University of Queensland]. Funded by: Institute for Human Security, La Trobe. Total funding: \$8,000.

2011- **Remnants of War**

This collaboration in visual politics - with photographer Louis Porter - seeks to explore and document the socialisation of warfare on human society and the natural environment. This is achieved by focusing on the human, social impact of unexploded ordnance (e.g. landmines, cluster munitions, undetonated bombs) using two established artistic mediums: the photograph and the literary essay. The project will potentially cover a number of settings including Egypt, Laos, Cambodia, Bosnia, Israel and Lebanon. In some states, such as Egypt, the effected area comprises 28 million weapons, and covering around 25,000 km². Whereas in other sites such as Laos there are up to 70 million unexploded bombs and mines despite the population there being only 4 million people. In all sites, there remains an overriding puzzle to be examined: to what extent, and in what ways, do the remnants of past wars preclude societies returning to an ordinary, "good life" post-conflict?

Co-investigators: Louis Porter [Monash] and N.A.J. Taylor [University of Queensland]. Funding body: Monash University. Total funding: n/a.

2005- **Dishevelled Come Winter**

The following is a working abstract for an incomplete manuscript of counterfactual history concerning the world's nuclear arsenal, an intoxicated Boris Yelstin, and a florist in inner-Melbourne:

The florist is a sort of gatekeeper – of other people's love, of regret, of gratitude, of hope, and of grief. But this is wartime. For a drunken decision by Boris Yeltsin has triggered a nuclear exchange. People now loathe the other, symbolism has given way to savagery, and soldiers enforce social order on the streets. Removed from these

unforgiving games, one florist quietly tends to greying fields in the belief some flowers will survive the winter.

Author: N.A.J. Taylor. Funding yet to be sought.

2009-10 **Diaspora Dialogue on the Middle East**

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

Undergraduate

2010- Arms Control and International Security (Guest lecturer), Monash University
2009 International Public Policy (Tutor and course coordinator), La Trobe University

Postgraduate

2012- Arms Control and Disarmament (Tutor and Guest lecturer), University of Queensland
2009-11 Managing Risk (Lecturer and course coordinator), La Trobe University
2009-11 Foundations in ESG Risk and Corporate Value (Lecturer), La Trobe University
2009-10 Business in Society (Guest lecturer), La Trobe University

Industry

2007-11 Business, Conflict and Human Rights (Facilitator), Taylor McKellar
2007-11 Ethical Responsibility (Facilitator), Taylor McKellar

OTHER DUTIES

Advisory roles

2009- United Nations Expert Group on Responsible Business and Investment in Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas
2007-09 Tasmanian Forestry Advisory Group – The Wilderness Society

Observer

2010- Pacific Small Arms Action Group, International Action Network on Small Arms

Manuscripts peer reviewed

Global Change, Peace & Security
Nationalities Papers

Community involvement

2009 The Wilderness Society (Fundraised \$1,850)
2008-09 Parkinson's Australia (Fundraised \$10,000)
1992-97 Bougainvillea Retirement Village, Sydney (Volunteer)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

British International Studies Association
International Society of Political Psychology
International Studies Association