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**DR. GÉRARD CHALIAND TO DELIVER MAJOR LECTURE ON THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, ANN ARBOR**

The Lecture Will Be Webcast Live

The Armenian Studies Program at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, has announced that Paris-based renowned author Gérard Chaliand has been selected to deliver the Annual Dr. Berj Haidostian Lecture at the University on Wednesday, January 14, 2009. Dr. Chaliand will speak on “US Policy at the Periphery of Russia: The Geopolitics of the World Today.”

Dr. Chaliand’s lecture will be webcast live, beginning at 7 PM (EST) and can be accessed on the internet (<http://umtv-live.rs.itd.umich.edu/asp/asp011409.aspx>).

Dr. Gérard Chaliand is an internationally recognized researcher in strategic thinking. For the past 40 years he has observed guerrilla movements in countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America and has had close battlefield contact with African, South American, Afghan and Vietnamese guerrillas among others. Dr. Chaliand has written about 40 books, 20 of which have been translated into English, including *History of Terrorism From Antiquity to al Qaeda* (University of California Press, 2007) with A. Blin, and *The Art of War in World History* (University of California Press, 1994). He has taught at the Ecole Nationale d’Administration, as well as the National War College in Paris. He [has also been a visiting professor at Harvard University, UCLA and the University of California at Berkeley. Dr. Chaliand was Director of the European Centre for the Study of Conflicts as well as an advisor to the Centre of Analysis and Planning of the French Foreign Ministry. He has spent nine months in Iraq in the last five years and has been recently twice in Afghanistan as a Senior Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Conflict and Peace Studies (CAPS) in Kabul.]

The Berj Haidostian Memorial Lecture was established by the family of the late physician Berj Haidostian of the Detroit area. A prominent figure is selected to deliver the lecture every year. Details of the event, open to the public, can be found on the website of the Program ([www.ii.umich.edu/asp](http://www.ii.umich.edu/asp)) or by calling the Program office (734-763-0622).