Errata

To: Recipients of CF-246-AF/CNA, Meeting America’s Security Challenges Beyond Iraq: A Conference Report

From: RAND Corporation Publications Department

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Re: Corrected pages (pp. iii–iv)

The cosponsor identified an error in the originally published document, within the Preface. The errors has no effect on the inferences or conclusions from the report. The currently posted document has been corrected.

On page iii the text in the opening sentence read: “On December 4, 2007, the RAND Corporation and the Center for Naval Analyses (CNA) Corporation cohosted a conference entitled, ‘Meeting America’s Security Challenges Beyond Iraq.’” The second instance of the word “Corporation” was removed, to now read: “On December 4, 2007, the RAND Corporation and the Center for Naval Analyses (CNA) cohosted a conference entitled, ‘Meeting America’s Security Challenges Beyond Iraq.’”

On page iii, under the paragraph headed “Center for Naval Analyses”, the opening sentence read “The Center for Naval Analyses, a division of the CNA Corporation,...”. The word “Corporation” was removed, to now read “The Center for Naval Analyses, a division of CNA,...”.

We apologize for any inconvenience.
On December 4, 2007, the RAND Corporation and the Center for Naval Analyses (CNA) cohosted a conference entitled, “Meeting America’s Security Challenges Beyond Iraq.” The conference, which included approximately 70 senior analysts from selected think tanks and academic institutions, high-ranking officers from the military services, selected government officials, and several journalists, was held at the offices of the RAND Corporation in Arlington, Virginia. The purpose of this conference was to provide leading analysts and practitioners of U.S. security policy and strategy with an opportunity to assess key challenges in the emerging security environment and to consider implications for strategy, force posture, and investment priorities.

This conference report provides an overview of the major topics, themes, and issues addressed at the conference as interpreted by RAND and CNA staff. To encourage a candid discussion of issues, the conference was held on a “not for attribution” basis; hence, the identities of the presenters and discussants are not provided.

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