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UN RAPPORTEUR PRESENTATION ON U.S. FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM

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WASHINGTON, DC – The American Society of International Law (ASIL) recently sponsored a presentation by Martin Scheinin, U.N. Special Rapporteur on Protecting Human Rights While Countering Terrorism, the audio of which is now available online at

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Protecting Human Rights and Countering Terrorism featured Scheinin's explanation of his October 25 report (also available from the link above) criticizing several aspects of current U.S. law and practice in the fight against terrorism. ASIL member **Ken Anderson**, Professor at American University's Washington College of Law and member of the Hoover Institution Task Force on National Security and Law, provided a critical assessment of Scheinin's findings and recommendations to the U.S. The hour-and-a-half long event included questions from the audience, which consisted of nearly 100 representatives from the U.S. and foreign governments, non-governmental organizations, and the press.

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