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## **October 2016 Luncheon Meeting**

Mimi's Café

10515 N. Mopac Expy Nb., #O, Austin, TX 78758

**11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

**Robert Hutchings**

**Walt and Elspeth Rostow Chair in National Security**

**and**

**Jeremi Suri**

**Mack Brown Distinguished Chair  
for Leadership in Global Affairs**

**Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs  
University of Texas at Austin**

**"Foreign Policy Breakthroughs"**

### **October Menu:**

Cup of Corn Chowder

Iced or hot tea, coffee, soft drinks, juices, hot chocolate, lemonade

Choice of:

A – Chicken Chop Salad (Slow-roasted chicken breast, red & green bell peppers, mandarin oranges, basil, cilantro, chopped cabbage and romaine lettuce, tossed in sesame dressing with fried wontons and sesame seeds)

Or

B – Corned Beef Croque Monsieur (A knife-and-fork sandwich with corned beef brisket hash slow roasted for eight hours, on toasted sourdough bread with Dijon mayo, Mornay sauce, and cheddar cheese. Broiled until the cheese is bubbling and browned, served with Frites of Fruit)

Or

C – Beer Battered Fish and Frites (Hand-battered cod fillets with French fries, coleslaw and tartar sauce)

Or

D – Roasted Chicken Crepes (French crepes with slow-roasted chicken, sautéed spinach, mushrooms, and tomatoes topped with Dijon Chardonnay sauce. Served with house salad)

Dessert: Seasonal Pie

RSVP: Please confirm your attendance and menu choice by noon on Tuesday, October 4.

- By mail to TFSG, P.O. Box 50246, Austin, TX 78763-0246, or
- By e-mail to Joe McLean at [jmclean@computermoms.com](mailto:jmclean@computermoms.com), or
- By phone to Karen Jacks at 512-238-1909

Lunch begins at noon. Members \$24, guests accompanied by members \$30. No new reservations after 12 noon on Tuesday, October 4. No-shows or cancellations after this date will be billed for their lunch. AFSA and DACOR members may attend one luncheon, except for the December luncheon, at the member price.

Driving directions to Mimi's Café are attached.

Checks made out to TFSG and mailed in advance is our preferred payment method (P.O. Box 50246, Austin, TX 78763-0246). Please include your menu choice. Please also include a phone number or email address so we can confirm your reservation. All reservations are confirmed, so if you do not get a confirmation, please contact us.

Memberships are \$30 per person for three years or \$12 per person per year. The three-year membership price for those who live more than 50 miles from Austin or are over 90 years of age is \$20 for one person and a spouse/partner living at the same address. Memberships make excellent gifts for people who have spent years overseas and their family members.

### **About Our Speakers:**

Robert Hutchings is the Walt and Elspeth Rostow Chair in National Security and Professor of Public Affairs at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin. He served as Dean of the LBJ School from 2010 to 2015. Before coming to UT, he was Diplomat in Residence in the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University, where he also served as assistant dean of the school and faculty chair of its Master in Public Policy program.

During a public service leave from Princeton in 2003-05, he was Chairman of the U.S. National Intelligence Council in Washington. His combined academic and diplomatic career has included service as Fellow and Director of International Studies at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Director for European Affairs on the

U.S. National Security Council, and Special Adviser to the Secretary of State, with the rank of ambassador.

Ambassador Hutchings served earlier in his career as deputy director of Radio Free Europe and on the faculty of the University of Virginia, and held adjunct appointments at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies and Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. He is the author of four books, including *American Diplomacy and the End of the Cold War*, along with many articles and book chapters on U.S. foreign policy and European affairs. His most recent book, co-edited with Jeremi Suri, is *Foreign Policy Breakthroughs: Cases in Successful Diplomacy* (Oxford University Press, 2015).

Hutchings is a lifetime director of the Atlantic Council of the United States, a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and founding president of the Austin Council on Foreign Affairs. A recipient of the National Intelligence Medal and the U.S. State Department Superior Honor Award, he was also awarded the Order of Merit (with Commander's Cross) of the Republic of Poland for his contributions to Polish freedom. He is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and received his Ph.D. from the University of Virginia.

He was on research leave during academic year 2015-16, spending the fall as Visiting Professor at Princeton University and the spring as Distinguished Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C., where he was working on a new book on the theory and practice of international diplomacy.

Dr. Jeremi Suri has a joint appointment in the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs and the University of Texas at Austin Department of History. Suri was previously with the University of Wisconsin, where he was the E. Gordon Fox Professor of History, the Director of the European Union Center of Excellence, and the Director of the Grand Strategy Program.

He has received numerous awards for his research and teaching, and Smithsonian Magazine named him one of America's "Top Young Innovators" in the Arts and Sciences in 2007. He is the author of four books, including the widely-acclaimed biography of one of America's most distinguished diplomats, *Henry Kissinger and the American Century* (Harvard University Press, 2007). His latest book, *Liberty's Surest Guardian: American Nation-Building from Washington to Obama*, was the Free Press/Simon and Schuster's lead non-fiction release in the fall of 2011.

Suri earned his B.A. in history from Stanford University in 1994 and an M.A. in history from Ohio University in 1996. He then earned his Ph.D. from Yale University in 2001.

Professor Suri blogs on foreign policy and contemporary politics at <http://globalbrief.ca>. His research interests include the formation and spread of nation-states; the emergence of modern international relations; the connections between foreign policy and domestic politics; the rise of knowledge institutions as global actors; contemporary foreign policy; international security; protest and dissident movements; and globalization.

**2016 Events of Interest:**

Austin is home to several groups who bring in experts on various aspects of national and international affairs, and some of their upcoming major speakers/events are listed on their websites. Please share this list with your friends.

Clements Center Events (University of Texas at Austin):  
(<https://www.clementscenter.org/>)

Strauss Center Events (University of Texas at Austin):  
(<https://www.strausscenter.org/>)

Kozmetsky Center Events (St. Edward's University):  
(<https://www.stedwards.edu/kozmetzky-center>)

LBJ Library:  
(<http://www.lbjlibrary.org/events/all>)

GlobalAustin:  
(<https://globalaustin.wildapricot.org/Upcoming-Events>)

**TFSG Information:**

December 13: Eighth annual Fun Festival Luncheon  
2017 luncheons: February 14, April 11, June 13, October 10, December 12

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Members are encouraged to invite guests to any of our first four luncheons of the year. There are always door prizes, such as books, coupons for free meals, lottery tickets, chocolates, and prizes tied to special days such as Valentine's Day.

We have a new membership level for those who live more than 50 miles from Austin or are over 90 years of age: \$20 for a three-year membership for one person and a spouse/partner living at the same address.

If you are a member and have been published or have produced a film, we would like to list your published books, articles, essays, and other works in the Members section of the Publications page on our website. According to the AFSA members-only limited-access community website, our TFSG website was viewed more than 30 times in the last three days.

If you have spoken to one of our meetings, we would like to list your published works in the Speakers section of our website.

If you have had a change in your street or mailing address, phone number, or your outside-your-home emergency contact, please email this information to Doris Scott at [dscott007@austin.rr.com](mailto:dscott007@austin.rr.com). (Note: We do not share, loan, rent, or sell this information to anyone.)

Our membership fees are modest and our membership numbers are important. Please talk to your friends who have spent time outside of the USA and invite them to one of our luncheons – and then to join TFSG.

Most of our luncheons cost about \$200 more than the luncheon fees bring in. We do not solicit donations, but neither do we refuse them.

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