

Spotlight – September 2009

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Ramadan Message; Remarks of President Obama. *The Briefing Room*, The White House. August 21, 2009
Ramadan Kareem (Video of President Obama's Ramadan message)

A Multicultural Ramadan. American Muslims trace their ancestry to more than 80 countries. America.gov explores the richness of these traditions through the lens of Ramadan. Interactive feature and photo gallery. Also includes a link to 'Being Muslim in America', an eJournal.

China-U.S. Relations: Current Issues and Implications for U.S. Policy by Kerry Dunbaugh. *Congressional Research Service*. updated July 10, 2009.

This report addresses relevant policy questions in current U.S.-China relations, discusses trends and key legislation in the current Congress, and provides a chronology of developments and high-level exchanges.

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Federal Elections 2008: Election Results for the U.S. President, the U.S. Senate, and the U.S. House of Representatives. Federal Elections Commission.

The Federal Election Commission (FEC) today released Federal Elections 2008, a biennial publication that compiles federal election results in the 50 states, five territories and the District of Columbia for the offices of President, Senate, and House of Representatives, as well as Delegates.

Closing the Guantanamo Detention Center: Legal Issues. Cong. Research Service, July 2009

New/Recently Updated CRS Reports – International Relations. Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

The New U.S.-Japan Alliance by Dan Blumenthal and Gary Schmitt. *Asian Wall Street Journal* online. August 17, 2009

When Japan goes to the polls on August 30, the Democratic Party of Japan is likely to oust the Liberal Democratic Party that has governed the country almost uninterrupted for more than half a century. **ARTICLE 768**

NTSB Issues Update on its Investigation into the Midair Collision Over the Hudson River. *National Transport Safety Board*. August 14, 2009.

A New Foreign Policy for Jacob Zuma's South Africa by Xolela Mangcu. *Brookings Institution*. July 20, 2009.

The author discusses South Africa's government under President Jacob Zuma.