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**LIGHT MILLENNIUM, in collaboration with the COLUMBIA University
Middle Eastern and Asian Languages and Cultures, Middle East Institute, and the
Consulate General of SWEDEN in New York, proudly presents:**

A Book Presentation and Signing:

TURKEY DECODED

by Ann DISMORR

Swedish Ambassador to Turkey from 2001-2005

**Introduction of the author by
Ambassador Ulf HJERTONSSON**

Moderator:

Professor Peter AWN

Dean of General Studies and Director of MEI at Columbia University

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Where: Columbia University – International Affairs Building (IAB room#1502, 15th Floor) Located at 420 W. 118th Street (at Amsterdam Avenue)

Time: Registration & Reception 6:30 pm, with program to follow

Ann DISMORR's book, *Turkey Decoded*, examines Turkey's foreign policy, ties with the US and the Middle East, as well as troubled relations with the EU. As Dismorr notes, obstacles to Turkey's path toward the European Union lie within Turkey as well as within the borders of the EU. As a secular democracy with an overwhelming Muslim population, Turkey could hold the key to increased understanding and tolerance between East and West. But there is a growing concern in both Turkey and the West about Turkey's "Islamization".

Ann Dismorr was the Swedish Ambassador to Turkey from 2001–2005. She has extensive knowledge of the region and of Islam, having lived in Saudi Arabia, worked on the Middle East peace process and served as an ambassador in Lebanon. Since 2006 she is the Ambassador/Head of the International Department of the Swedish Parliament, working actively to enhance the understanding and dialogue with the Muslim world.

- This event is free and open to the general public.

Producers of the program: Bircan Ünver, Light Millennium & Prof. Etem Erol, Columbia University & Martina Hogberg, Consulate General of Sweden in New York

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Note: More details of the program will be available on the Light Millennium's web site during the third or the last week of January 2009. <http://lightmillennium.org>