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# A Note from the Editor

## *Untimely Death of Samuel Francis Great Loss to National Debates*

After our Winter issue went to press, Dr. Samuel Francis, one of the leading intellectuals, writers, and strategists on our issues, died of complications from aneurysm-related heart surgery at a hospital in suburban Washington, D.C. At the time of his untimely death Francis was writing a twice-weekly column for Creators Syndicate (posted and archived at [www.VDare.com](http://www.VDare.com)), was associate editor of *The Occidental Quarterly* ([www.TheOccidentalQuarterly.com](http://www.TheOccidentalQuarterly.com)), and a regular contributor to *American Renaissance* ([www.AmRen.com](http://www.AmRen.com)), *Middle American News* ([www.manews.org](http://www.manews.org)), *The Social Contract* ([www.thesocialcontract.com](http://www.thesocialcontract.com)), and other journals of opinion and scholarship.

Formerly an award-winning staff columnist and deputy editorial page editor for *The Washington Times*, (1986-1991), he began working in Washington, D.C., as a policy analyst for the Heritage Foundation in the late 1970s, and served as staff aide on national security issues for Senator John East (R-NC).

It was my privilege to have known Sam Francis for 25 years. I first met him after he joined Sen. East's staff. A foundation that awarded me a graduate fellowship urged me to meet some of the people in East's office. (Prior to his election to the Senate, East had been a political science professor associated with the Intercollegiate Studies Institute.) It turned out that I had much in common with Sam Francis as well as others there. Over the years we continued to work together.

No writer with a national presence wrote as often and as courageously as Sam did on the dangers of mass immigration and multiculturalism. While I have lost one of my most valued friends, the immigration reform movement has lost one of its most brilliant advocates.

A collection of some of Sam's best columns is found in *America Extinguished* which is available from The Social Contract Press.

WAYNE LUTTON, PH.D., Editor



Samuel Francis, Ph.D.  
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