

Asaf Duraković

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Asaf Duraković (born 16 May 1940) is a Croatian physician and a self-proclaimed expert in nuclear medicine and depleted uranium.^{[1][2][3]} He is also known for his poetry and verse.

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Biography

Duraković was born in Stolac, Bosnia and Herzegovina and educated at the University of Zagreb in Zagreb, Croatia where he earned both master's and doctoral degrees. During this time he worked at the Ruđer Bošković Institute. Afterwards he continued with post-doctoral work at Oxford University. In 1968 he immigrated to Canada, where he attended McMaster University in Hamilton.^[4] He worked at the University of Toronto, the University of Washington, and University Of Rochester (UofR). He has been associated with the *Croatian Literary Journal*.^[5] Duraković is the one of the co-founders of Bosnian Islamic Centre in Etobicoke, Toronto. Construction was over on 23 June 1973. Its mosque is the oldest in Toronto. The minaret is Ottoman-style and its the oldest minaret in Ontario.^[6]

In 1990, Duraković was one of the founders of the Croatian Muslim Democratic Party, formed in Zagreb.

Dr. Duraković, a former U.S. army Colonel, was Chief of the Nuclear Sciences Division of the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute, and worked at the VA hospital in Wilmington, DE; he's been fired and blacklisted for refusing to discontinue his work on (medical problems of army Veterans caused by) DU and other kinds^[7] of WDU (Weapons Derived Uranium).^[8] To continue his work, he founded and is Medical Research Director of the Toronto-based Uranium Medical Research Centre. He is also a member of the Editorial Board of and contributor to the Croatian Medical Journal.^[9]

Duraković also founded the World Life Institute,^[10] an international non-profit humanitarian organization based in Orleans County, New York.

Works

Poetry

- *Dark Sea-Weeds*
- *Smoke and Mist*
- *Paths of Ahasver*

Politics

- *From Bleiburg to Muslim Nation (Od Bleiburga do muslimanske nacije, 1972)*
- *Status of Muslim People in Croatian National Community (Mjesto muslimana u hrvatskoj narodnoj zajednici, 1973)*

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His literary works were dedicated to Croatia's freedom, a dream of many generations of Croats. During the communist regime in his home country, he spoke about Croatia's need for freedom throughout the world. During the war in Croatia, he put all of his efforts in helping defend his homeland. His father's homeland is reflected in most of his verses. He has been an associate of the Croatian Literary Journal before and after the Croatian Spring Movement in 1971. Some of his works have been published in Barcelona in the anthology of Croatian young poets, edited by Vinko Nikolić and some in the Croatian Literary Journal (Barcelona) and in many other journals. He wrote several essays and books on Croatia's freedom...

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