GOING GLOBAL

In a bold move to influence the direction of Islam, Washington since 9/11 has quietly funded a variety of projects to boost Muslim religious moderates and generate goodwill in at least 24 countries. Programs range from training Islamic-school teachers in civics to funding think tanks that promote moderate interpretations of the Koran.

**UNFAVORABLE ARAB ATTITUDES TOWARD THE UNITED STATES**

Anti-American sentiment soared in the Arab world after the invasion of Iraq, even among U.S. allies.

**MUSLIMS WITHIN COUNTRY POPULATIONS**

In millions

- Total population
- Muslim population

- **An estimated 1.2 billion Muslims live worldwide, about one fifth of the world's population, spread largely through the Middle East, Asia and North Africa.**

**U.S. PUBLIC DIPLOMACY SPENDING**

Total 2005 budget: $1.26 billion

- Educational and cultural exchanges
- Public information and other programs

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